



Diane and Harry Cunningham danced the night away at the Wilmington 275th Committee's Anniversary Ball on Saturday, April 9th. More than 250 people attended the event held at the Casa di Fior. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Sullivan alleges improprieties

Favoritism allegedly offered to former selectman John Forrest

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - Sparks flew during the April 11 Board of Selectmen meeting.

Former Selectman John Forrest was granted an opportunity to refute statements made by Selectman Suzanne Sullivan during the Board's previously held March 28 meeting.

During the March 28 meeting, Sullivan had stated that, in her opinion, improprieties perpetrated by various agents of the Town of Wilmington led to the granting of a Class II license to Forrest and that proper procedures were not followed.

"A whole total blind-eye was turned to this situation and I have to ask; is that fair to all of the other residents and busi-

ness owners in town?" Sullivan said. "Everyone has to go through the procedures and do what's right and I don't think that's what happened here."

A Class II license, under Wilmington by-laws, authorizes the licensee to repair vehicles and, as a secondary function to the primary business, to sell used cars. Forrest's Class II license was issued for a business yet to be established on property located at 362 Middlesex Avenue. The purported purpose of the business would be diagnostic testing of automobiles.

According to Sullivan, Forrest provided inaccurate information about the site. She stated, for instance, that Forrest's claim of 52 parking spaces

existing on the site was patently false.

"I just took a drive through there and counted 29 spaces," Sullivan stated on March 28. "There is not 52."

According to Forrest, he walked the site with Carole Hamilton, Director of Planning, and it was confirmed that there were at least 52 spots, with 39 to 40 of those spots marked as such.

"As I see it," Forrest told the Board on April 11, "Ms. Sullivan either has a problem with counting or she deliberately mislead this board and the people of this Town."

Sullivan also stated on March 28 that it would be impossible for a vehicle to enter the struc-

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Coyote attack

Father and daughter attacked

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - Louis Martignetti had no time to react while Elise Martignetti had time enough only to scream before a coyote inexplicably took hold of their 4-year old daughter's leg.

This past Saturday was one of this year's first beautiful spring days and the Martignetti's were taking advantage of it by spending time outside in the yard of their Castle Drive home. Louis and his 7-year old son Gino were putting away snow-shovels in the backyard shed, while 4-

year old Tia Martignetti stood just outside the shed when the unthinkable happened.

Elise was standing just inside their open garage, when she saw a smallish grey animal, which is believed to have been a coyote, run along the tree line toward her daughter. It all happened so fast, Elise was barely able to scream to Louis. Louis just caught a glimpse of the animal at the last second, just in time to see it turn its head in anticipation of locking onto young Tia's left leg.

Snow-shovel still in hand,

Louis leapt out of the shed and struck the animal, but it would not relinquish its hold. After kicking it a couple of times, the animal finally retreated toward the woods.

Gino scooped up his little sister and headed toward the garage where Elise was already on the phone with a 911 operator. Meanwhile, Louis was making sure to stay between his family and the coyote. They had not yet made it into the house by the time the coyote had circled around. Louis

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Tia Martignetti was attacked by a coyote on Saturday morning in her own backyard on Castle Drive. Her father, Wilmington Patrolman Louis Martignetti, freed her from the animal's grip and was then also attacked. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Second annual...

Justin O'Neil Day

Community continues to honor fallen youth

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - There will be a heart wrenching absence during Wilmington High School's graduation ceremonies this year. It was with the Class of 2005 that Justin O'Neil would have graduated had he not passed away last year.

Justin was 16 years old and a junior at WHS when tragically struck down by a brain aneurysm on January 6, 2004.

The community came together to celebrate the life of Justin on June 13, 2004 for a day packed with family activities, including a three-mile walk. The events of that single day raised \$47,000 toward the construction of the skate park located beside Shawshen Street School.

It was a fitting tribute to a young man so full of life and so well liked. Cheri O'Neil, Justin's mother, said at the time that Justin would have loved every minute of it.

The skate park now stands, complete with specialized equipment, such as jump boxes, grind boxes, and free-standing grind rails; but it is still lacking in one significant area.

It needs a name.

Upon approval by Wilmington residents, Article 13 of the upcoming April 23, 2005 Annual Town Meeting will change all of that by naming the park in Justin's honor as a lasting memorial.

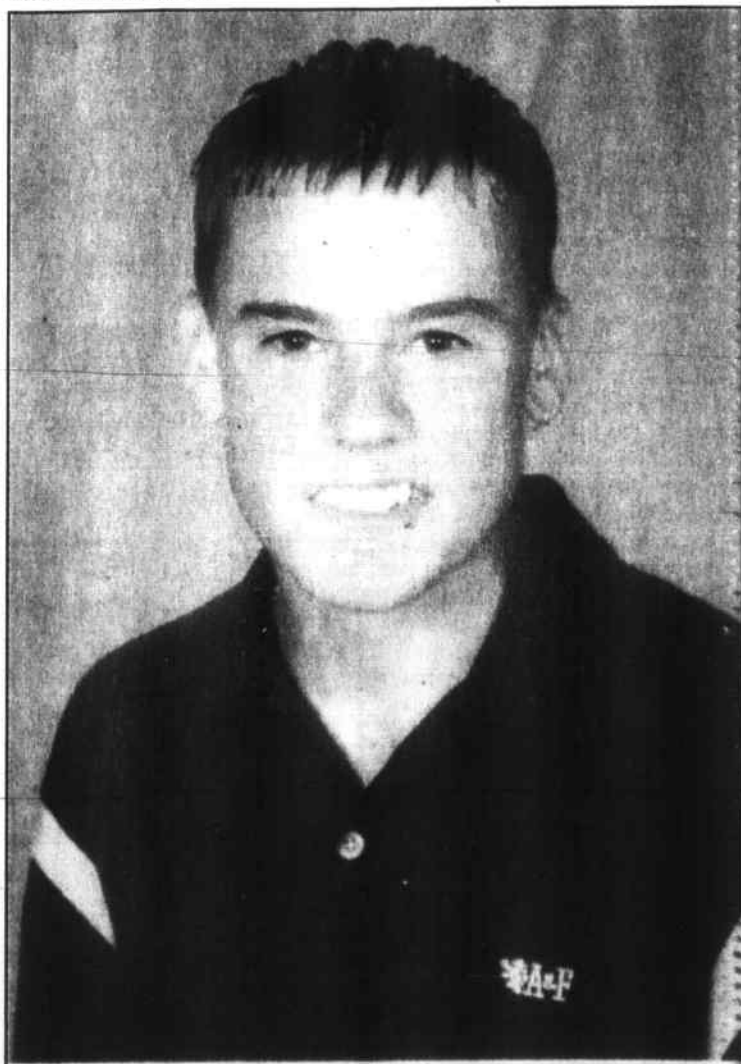
The O'Neils are inviting the community to join them on the Wilmington Town Common out again this year on May 15 for

another fun-filled day to benefit the Justin Andrew O'Neil Memorial Scholarship.

The O'Neil family will choose the recipient of the scholarship taking grades, strength of character, service to the community, and strengths of leadership into consideration.

"It will be someone with the same qualities that Justin had," Cheri said. "We hope that the scholarship can be given out for years to come to honor Justin's memory. We want to keep the scholarship going as a tribute to the zest for life that Justin

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Justin O'Neil would have graduated with the Class of 2005 had he not been struck down by a fatal brain aneurysm last year.

Walk the Middlesex Canal

Massachusetts' first engineering marvel right here in Wilmington

By LARZ E. NEILSON

WILMINGTON - The first great engineering project to be built in the United States ran right through Wilmington.

The Middlesex Canal was completed 20 years after the end of the Revolutionary War.

Begun in 1793, its charter was signed by John Hancock, then governor of Massachusetts.

"It is Wilmington's greatest historic treasure," said Betty Bigwood of the Middlesex Canal Association.

It officially opened in 1803 and operated successfully until 1837. Ironically, one function it served was to transport materials used to build the Boston and Lowell Railroad, completed in 1835. The railroad quickly drove the canal out of business. It officially folded in 1852. The rail line today is the oldest operating line in the U.S.

Although the canal lasted only about 50 years, many remnants of it remain. The best

known, and most obvious of these is the Shawshen Aqueduct at the Billerica-Wilmington town line on Route 129. There are two stone abutments, plus a stone pier in the middle of the stream. The canal crossed the Shawshen River at the level of the stone piers. Nearby, remnants of the canal may be seen, appearing as a ditch alongside Shawshen Avenue.

Another aqueduct remains, just north of Town Park. Adjacent to it is the longest remaining section of the canal, which continues for nearly a half-mile. In the Town Park, there are marks on the stones

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Wilmington Recreation Department Summer/Fall Staff Position

The deadline for applications for the following summer positions has been extended through April 29, 2005:

- Town Beach (Lifeguards)
- Playground Leaders
- Tiny Tots/Kids Club Classroom Supervisors and Assistants

Applications for the following positions will be accepted on an ongoing basis:

- Basketball Supervisors
- Bridge Instructor
- Teen Programs
- Gymnastics Instructor
- Craft Instructors
- Aerobics Instructors

You must be age 16 or over to apply for a paid position. We are also accepting applications for volunteer positions.

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SETTING IT A-BLAZE Les White touches the mortgage with flame as Bob Belbin holds the document and Rev. Richard Black and Bishop Peter Weaver look on.

Methodists burn mortgage after only six years

On Sunday, April 3, at a special worship service featuring Bishop Peter Weaver, Bishop of the New England Conference of the United Methodist Church, the members of Wilmington United Methodist Church, burned their mortgage. Six years ago the church built a major addition that cost \$850,000, and in just six years, the funds were raised to discharge the mortgage. The addition

features classroom space as well as offices for the staff. The community also uses it for Boy and Girl Scouts, AA, community meetings, and a host of other events. The Rev. Ronald Wilson, District Superintendent, and former pastor in Wilmington, The Rev. Herb Taylor, joined Bishop Weaver in the celebration. Current pastor, The Rev. Richard Black remarked, "This

is a great day for this church, but also for the community. We consider ourselves to be a community resource and want folks in Wilmington and surrounding towns to know that we are here and that our doors are open to them." Also present at the burning were Bob Belbin and Les White, who had served as leaders in the building construction as well as fund raising.

Stamp out hunger on Saturday, May 14, 2005

The Annual National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive to help families in Tewksbury and Wilmington will be held on Saturday, May 14, 2005.

You can help. Please place your current dated, non-perishable, non breakable food items at your mailbox before your letter carrier arrives. No glass

bottles or jars, please. Suggested items include: baked beans, beef stew, cereal, coffee, corned beef hash, hot chocolate, instant potatoes, jam or jelly (no glass), juice

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RED FLAGS AND OTHER MISTAKES

What is the IRS looking for? Small-business owners should be aware of certain items—the so-called "red flags"—that are more likely to trigger a tax audit.

For instance, some owners of S-corporations skip a salary to avoid paying FICA taxes. Don't; the IRS is watching. Pay a reasonable salary; check those in unrelated companies. Conversely, owners of C corporations should not take more than they can justify.

Another hot-button item: are workers employees or independent contractors? The key is the employer's control of how, when and where they perform their duties. Another: expenses for travel and entertainment. Be ready with adequate documentation.

But don't be more concerned than necessary. Filing for an extension won't increase the chance of being audited. But be sure that the return is completed, that all income is reported and cost capitalized where required.

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Good Guy Dinner Friday, May 13th

The Good Guy Committee has selected this year's Good Guy from the many letters sent in for nomination. We would like to thank those who took the time to tell us who they felt was most deserving and indeed we do have many Good Guys in our community.

The Committee will honor this year's outstanding recipient with its 37th annual dinner, Friday, May 13, 2005, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, School Street Ext., Wilmington. The evening will begin with a social time at 7:00 p.m., dinner at 8:00 p.m., followed by remarks, presentations and a lot of good-natured fun. Tickets are priced at \$25.00 per person and can be purchased from the following:

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St. Dorothy's Parish is celebrating 50 years with a "Double Penny Sale" raffle on Friday, April 22, 2005. There will be two groups of prizes for 25¢ each.

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OPINION

From the Editor's Desk

By Stephen P. Bjork

Blatant abuse of authority

If the property at 362 Middlesex Avenue happens to have more than 29 parking spaces, Wilmington Selectman Sullivan is going to have a lot of explaining to do.

Of course, it has already been proven through photographic evidence that a vehicle, albeit a Subaru Legacy Wagon, can fit through the bay doors located at 362 Middlesex Avenue. Those photos were shot after Sullivan had categorically described it as "impossible" to fit a vehicle through the building's barn-style doors, which she stated with confidence, measured 4'.

When presented with the photos and the opportunity to explain the "impossible" feat, she merely remarked that nothing bigger than a Subaru would be able to fit.

According to Sullivan, the owner of that property obtained his Class II license through a series of special favors, a timely turning of heads, and various other improprieties.

"I think certain favors were done and certain heads were turned certain ways to let this happen," Sullivan said.

Sullivan was most specifically critical of the Planning Board, of which coincidentally, selectman candidate Ann Yurek is a member. The matter passed through the Planning Board, the Planning Director, the Building Inspector, the Board of Appeals, and then finally the Board of Selectmen. That's quite a conspiracy. Apparently all of these people are on the take. Well...with the notable exception of Michael Sorrentino, the Chairman of the Planning Board. He was watching the Board of Selectmen meeting on television and stormed into Town Hall to ask Sullivan directly whether she was questioning his integrity.

Good for him.

She denied questioning his ethics, but contradicted herself by refusing to recant any of her allegations.

Chairman Michael McCoy explained that a number of the town's department heads, including the Director of Planning, Police Chief and others offered recommendations for approval and that he was comfortable relying on their expertise out of mutual respect.

"That is your style," Sullivan told McCoy. "A department head tells you something and you believe it. I could turn a blind eye too, like many people do, and pretend this doesn't exist."

It seems that the town could save the taxpayers an awful lot of money by getting rid of all of the various department heads, for alas, no one is as competent and conscientious as Sullivan.

"(Department heads) get paid very well to do their job and the job wasn't done here," Sullivan said in regard to the 362 Middlesex Avenue property during the March 28 Board of Selectmen meeting. "Clearly it wasn't done."

It may be tolerated for members of the public to blatantly malign town employees, but it is not acceptable behavior coming from a member of the Board of Selectmen. Such a lack of decorum and abusive use of power is reprehensible and not worthy of the position.

So, what's going on here? What is the problem with 362 Middlesex Avenue?

The real problem is the property owner - John Forrest.

Personally, I've never said two words to Mr. Forrest. His short-lived tenure on the Board of Selectmen came to an end shortly after I became associated with the Town Crier. I attempted to contact him once for a quote, but the call was never returned.

One thing is for sure; while on the Board he was no friend of Sullivan's. But, then again, neither is the Cain family. When given half an opportunity she publicly raked Fred Cain across the coals and forced him to beg for his livelihood. That wasn't personal? Watch the tape, her contempt is palpable. Coincidentally, during her tirade against Cain, she went against the advice of every department head involved in the matter, including the legal opinion rendered by Town Counsel. Everyone except for her was wrong in that instance, too.

That wasn't the first time she disregarded the opinion of an attorney, incidentally. When Michael Newhouse was in the position of Town Counsel, she disregarded his opinions as a matter of course. It was Sullivan that led the charge to oust Newhouse from the position of Town Counsel. Doubt it? Watch the tape - she has got the floor by a two-to-one ratio over Chairman McCoy during those meetings as she spouted off vitriolic rhetoric toward anyone of the department heads daring to offer him support. She even took the time to shout down several of the more than 1,700 residents who signed a petition on Newhouse's behalf.

She claims to see issues without faces, but there is a very distinct pattern developing. Could it really be that in a Town of 22,000, it is only her political enemies that show such a blatant disregard for the by-laws?

Forrest, Cain, and Newhouse...who's it going to be next? If we happened to be in the middle of an episode of Quentin Tarantino's "Kill Bill," I'd have to guess that Town Manager Michael Caira is playing the role of Bill.

Wilmington deserves better than a publicly elected official who appears so willing to use that position to exact political revenge. Sullivan has two more years left in her current term. That's plenty of time to right the ship if she should so choose.

Meanwhile, the Board of Selectmen is visiting 362 Middlesex Avenue on Thursday at 5:30 p.m. Should the Board count no more than 29 parking spaces; Forrest has offered to tear up his Class II license. Forrest has challenged Sullivan to resign her position from the Board should they find more than 29 spaces.

She hasn't accepted his challenge, but at the end of that visit one or the other of them is going to be eating a lot of crow. I don't know for sure which one of them it's going to be, but I plan to be there to see it.

Letter to the editor

Thank-you, from Tewksbury's newest selectman

Citizens of Tewksbury, I would like to thank my friends, family and supporters who expended their valuable time and extraordinary efforts to insure my election to the Board of Selectmen.

To the residents of Tewksbury, I appreciate the confidence you vested in me on Election Day. I am prepared to confront the challenges that will arise in the days ahead. I promise you that

I will work extremely hard with my colleagues on the Board of Selectmen and other town officials. If I can be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me at (978) 851-3455 or visit me during my monthly office hours at Town Hall. The dates and times will appear on the local access cable channel. Again, Thank you.

Respectfully,
John R. Mackey

Two letters to the editor appearing in the April 6, 2005 edition of the Town Crier implied that a conspiracy bent on the ousting of Town Manager Michael Caira existed within the ranks of Wilmington's Board of Selectmen. In an effort to quell rumors and inaccurate public perception, all members of the Board of Selectmen and the challenging candidate were invited to outline their support, or lack of, for the Town Manager.

Selectmen Michael McCoy, Frank West, and Suzanne Sullivan were unaware of the invitation or chose not to accept as no direct response was submitted

Selectman Ray Lepore

Dear Editor,

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to respond to your question regarding Manager Caira. You ask, "As of today, to what extent do they (the candidates) support Mr. Caira in the role of Town Manager?" Simply put, I believe my work with Mr. Caira on many issues during my term as selectman exhibits my support. However, this issue really does not have that much to do with supporting or not supporting the manager. This is just a vehicle for the negative forces to spin their divisive message. In last week's editorial the word rumor was used eight times-enough said. I will not blindly approve a new contract for the town manager through letters to the editor- I make no apologies for that. My responsibility is to the tax payers of Wilmington and to publicly endorse a new contract, before even discussions of negotiations have started, I believe lessens the bargaining power of the selectman. There is a process to negotiate a town manager's contract. Regardless of whether I believe the manager is doing a good job or not, it would be totally irresponsible on my behalf as a representative of the people to hand over the keys to the store without taking into consideration what is best for the town overall and the residents.

As I stated in my announcement last week, there will be many decisions made over the next few years, which will have great impact on Wilmington's future. This is what we should focus on, not petty griping. I am focused on keeping taxes down and keeping Wilmington an affordable town in which to live. I will fight for the tax payers to ensure that residents are not burdened by the increase of water rates due to the MWRA tie-in. I will fight to protect the town's last aquifer. We need a strong elected body to hold Olin Chemical's feet to the fire. It is extremely important that we find a balance between residential and commercial growth and to plan properly for that future growth. Finally, I will focus on the New England Trans Rail issue- we can't afford to allow Wilmington to become a regional trash transfer site and the over 400-a-day trucks that go along with the inappropriate project.

Please, on Saturday, April 16, consider me with one of your votes for selectman for the issues stated above, not the rumors.

Thank you,
Ray Lepore
Selectman

Selectman Michael Newhouse

Dear Editor,

Thank you for the invitation that you made to all of the Selectmen through your editorial in last week's edition of the Town Crier.

As you know, in a letter to the editor last week I gave specific examples of why I believe Mike Caira has earned the opportu-

nity to continue as Wilmington's Town Manager. For the record, I reiterate that position here.

I support the Town Manager. He's done an excellent job.

Sincerely,
Michael J. Newhouse

Candidate Ann Yurek

Dear Editor,

I have been clear about my position regarding the appointment of Michael Caira as Town Manager.

In response to your invitation, I have always viewed Mike Caira as a skilled and

competent Town Manager. If I am fortunate enough to be elected Selectman, I look forward to working with him.

Sincerely,
Ann Yurek

Letters to the editor

Support for Town Manager

Dear Editor,

In your last editorial entitled, "Put the Rumors to Rest", you asked the current selectmen and challenger to weigh in on their stance on the issue of Mr. Caira's performance in the role of Town Manager. As a candidate for re-election to the School Committee, I'd also like to respond.

Over the course of the past several years, I have witnessed Michael Caira's unwavering

commitment to education in Wilmington. Year after year he crafts a budget that funds our schools well in excess of state mandates. He proactively led the effort to build a new middle school.

As someone who greatly values education in Wilmington I support the job Mike Caira has done as the Town Manager.

Sincerely,
Theresa Buonopane

Sullivan needs to learn definition of slander

Dear Editor,

At a recent Selectmen's Meeting, Selectwoman Sullivan implied that the Planning Board tends to show favoritism to someone in town, which I feel was an inappropriate statement. The implication that the Planning Board would show any favoritism to anyone in town coming before the Board is out of line. I am writing to further explain my point of view in more detail and that my reaction may have implied a reaction of anger at the recent Selectmen's meeting and not have fully expressed my point of view.

First, as I said I was not at the previous Selectmen's meeting nor have I seen it on cable TV, when Ms. Sullivan made the statement. If she was questioning the Planning Director as to why no site plan review was required for this property and just wanted to know the parameters that went into this decision that is one thing and it is her right to ask. The Planning Director is highly capable of explaining her decision; she does not need me to defend her, however, if asked I will gladly stand with her to do so. If Ms. Sullivan used the term "favoritism" and Planning Board in the same sentence than that is a different matter. She is questioning the Board's integrity, which I take a very strong offense to. I would like her to explain what she said and what she meant by it. Secondly, Mr. McCoy made his position very clear in what he heard and where he stands on the matter and I appreciate his candor.

There seems to be a misunderstanding how the Planning Board works. We receive information on each agenda item

from the Planning Director and her staff and all the relevant department heads. The Planning Board members in thier individual review then supplement this information by using their field of expertise, experience, and common knowledge. The town of Wilmington has an experienced Board with two professional engineers; a professional architect and an attorney experienced in property law. A discussion then takes place in a public open meeting forum. I am confused to what point Ms. Sullivan was making concerning this issue. I find it very ironic that in the week Ms. Sullivan made this comment she took place in a ribbon cutting ceremony for a bank at a new building on Lowell street, a building that came under site plan review, a review that was contentious at times, I don't remember her being at these meetings. The Planning Board invitation must have gotten lost.

I have lived in town for seven-teen years and my family and I have been active in many things, we have been all over this town and take great pride in being active, hard working members of this community. To imply that I or any member of the Planning Board would infringe on the community trust that has been built over the many years of voluntary service is inexcusable. Ms. Sullivan owes the Planning Board an apology. She should not be worried about talking to Town Counsel concerning this property review but might want to ask Counsel about the definition of slander.

Sincerely,
Michael Sorrentino

Easter Egg Hunt success

Dear Editor,

On Saturday, April 2, 2005, the Recreation Department sponsored the 34th Annual Easter Egg Hunt. Unfortunately soggy field conditions forced us to postpone the event once, and finally move it indoors due to heavy rains. Instead of candy blanketing the Common, we had bags of candy ready for eager children to enjoy. In addition, children could try their luck in an egg contest and win a prize.

The success of an event of this size requires the support of many residents and organizations within town. Special thanks to the Wilmington Police Department, DPW, Public Buildings Department, Sons of Italy, Kiwanis, Tewksbury-Wilmington Elks, Knights of Columbus, CVS, Brooks Pharmacy, Market Basket, Everett Lodge of the International Order of Odd

Fellows, the DiGregorio Family, Dunkin Donuts/Baskin Robbins at 195 Main Street and the Dunkin Donuts at 321 Main Street for their generous donations.

We would also like to thank the volunteers who packaged and distributed candy, and helped set-up the event. These volunteers include Joan Maga, Jack Cushing, members of the Wilmington High School National Honor Society, several Wilmington Middle School students and the Easter Bunny who brightened up an otherwise dreary day.

Thank you to everyone who helped to make this event a positive one in spite of the uncooperative weather and location change.

Sincerely yours,
Deborah Cipriani
Wilmington Recreation Director

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Letters to the editor

Helping Hands

Dear Editor:
Emmaus House, a battered women's shelter in Haverhill will be the beneficiary of the fundraiser luncheon to be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 2068 Main Street, Newbury.
On Friday, April 29th beginning at 11 a.m. with Bingo and raffles, followed by the meal and entertainment. The entertainment will again be provided by the talented students from Tammy's Dance

Connection. This annual event will allow the water aerobics, arthritis and swim program participants of the former Northmeadow Pool Center to also reunite socially for a good cause, but everyone is invited.
Please contact Fran Salerno at 978-475-6311 or Barbara Flanagan at 978-851-7580 for the \$10 admission tickets by April 25th. All are invited to this "Helping Hands Project."

Water trumps library

Dear Editor,
As you can see in the Town Crier we have a lot of problems in this town that need to be addressed. We have a serious water problem. It is more important than a state-of-the-art library. In recent editions we have seen that the price of a new library has risen from 9 million to 11 million. Ordinary people find that their taxes are exorbitant and don't relish additional taxes be put on them.
Talking to friends in other towns I have found that their towns are having problems with kids "hanging out" at the library. Not for educational purposes, but becoming nuisances.
In past weeks we have heard from Mr. Gerhartz regarding problems with the Swain school location. He also showed how we can remodel the present library.
In the past week or two we heard from a gentleman who stated that when the present library was built it was built with the idea that a third floor could be added. It seems that

some people in this town will have nothing BUT a new library NO MATTER WHAT THE COST. We do not need a glass atrium and coffee shop. If we want that we can go to Barnes and Noble, etc. For meetings we have auditoriums in town that would be fine for larger groups.

A recent program on the town TV Station had an interview with Tina, Sandra Curtin and two other women. We were told that the town meeting article has nothing to do with money. They want our approval and that does mean money. The cost is now 11 million instead of 9 million. They want that 3 million for plans etc. Where will the rest come from? The backs of the working class and retired of this town!

Let's take care of our outstanding debts and clean up our water. That is a health issue. Let's not let them railroad us into something the majority doesn't want.

Name withheld by request
Wilmington



Everything's A Story

by Andrea MacMullin

It must be spring. Temperatures are rising; the fresh smell of the new season is in the air. Hibernating animals are making their way out of their burrows.

Just last week I witnessed the emergence of my dear friend, Mr. Groundhog. This creature and I have been at odds for some time now. This courageous, yet bold animal is somehow under the impression that I welcome his presence.

I was first introduced to Mr. Groundhog early last spring, after having spent several days planting the flats of flowers I so enjoy doing every year. Imagine my surprise, or as I should say lightly, "dismay" as I looked out the window to discover all the tops of my crimson colored pansies eaten off.

Standing next to the stubs of green stems, was Mr. Groundhog. He looked at me, and I, angrily looked at him. He seemed not to care. He seemed unalarmed at the sudden burst of the front door, and barely flinched at my ranting and raving. He gave a slow turn

of his head, went down on all fours, and proceeded to move his bloated body across the driveway.

Thus began our tumultuous relationship. Over the course of the summer, my flowers became more barren. Mr. Groundhog's belly more round. I decided to hang a pot of petunias from a wrought iron hook. Apparently, it was not high enough from the ground. My friend was able to satisfy his appetite if he stretched long enough on his hind legs.

Mr. Groundhog, as it seems, is by no means shy. He has perched himself on our front steps, enjoying the warm spring sun. Of course, it is his front steps, too.

He has made his home underneath the steps, digging an obscene two-foot hole through the landscaping to burrow his way under the stairs. I'm sure it is a nice, cool, place to get away from the heat of the summer, and it doubles as a nice place to hibernate.

The big rocks we placed in front of the hole to dissuade him didn't work, either. He just went around

them.

I've heard many suggestions of how to rid myself of this creature. Apparently, he has visited other neighbors who were able to stave him off with some time-tested remedies, only to end up in the yard of another, unwitting family.

If I talk to my family members in Minnesota, the recommendations for taking care of the situation might get me in trouble with several local agencies.

I have heard of the "Havahart" traps that are used to relocate common garden pests. The intentions behind this method are very humane and commendable. But, I can only imagine what would transpire once I caught Mr. Groundhog in the cage.

Loading the cage with my friend in tow, I would have to listen to the cries, (do groundhogs cry?) of the animal scratching to get out. I would worry that I might be removing him from nearby family and friends, displacing him, and rendering him homeless.

After the drop-off and release, I would drive away, as Mr.

Groundhog sadly looked on, thinking, "what have you done to me?" I don't know if I can take that sort of guilt. I would forever remember those brown eyes peering at me through the dining room window, just waiting for me to serve him a fresh, heaping pot of flowers and greens.

I can imagine him searching, scampering through fields, travelling for days down a dusty road, just trying to make his way back home. To our home.

For now, I guess my friend will get to stay, becoming a permanent fixture to our family, and yes, even a conversation piece. How many people do you know that have their own wild animal living under the front steps? Not many.

I would however, entertain the thought of letting Mr. Groundhog relocate, or, become adopted to a loving, caring, family, who are oblivious to large holes, headless flowers, and all out disruption to landscape. I have the perfect pet for you.

Letters to the editor

Yurek responds

Dear Editor:

I appreciate the opportunity to respond to a number of inaccurate and misleading statements made in last week's letter to the editor. Frankly, I was surprised that such a concerted effort is being made to distort my record as an appointed representative of the Town, and I am disturbed by the negative tenor and misleading nature of the letters. I dismiss them as a futile attempt to return slash and burn style politics to this Town, and as such I simply will not respond in kind. I will, however, defend my record.

First with regard to the letter about my leaving a master plan meeting early, I did leave early, perhaps around 8:30 p.m., from a particular meeting. As I am sure the gentleman would understand, volunteers sometimes have personal and family obligations that must take priority on a given day.

Like a number of other volun-

teers with whom I have worked throughout the past fifteen years, I literally have spent thousands of hours at various meetings and conferences. As a member of the Planning Board, Finance Committee, Comprehensive Water Resources Management Plan committee and Master plan Committee, I have joined hundreds of other volunteers and committee members in sacrificing family and personal time to stay at Town Hall late into the night, and early into the morning. As a Planning Board and Finance Committee member for more than 13 years, I cannot remember missing more than one or two meetings at most. My record clearly shows that I take the business of my town very seriously, and I make time to represent the town to the very best of my ability. I do not believe that the voters will be persuaded by this second hand account of my leaving one meeting a little bit early.

Another letter states that I will vote to "increase taxes for a new library." While it is true that I support the construction for a new library, the residents will determine, by Town Meeting vote and by way of a ballot question, as to whether any taxes will be increased to build a library. That is as it should be. Trying to scare the voters into believing that I am some kind of "tax and spend" candidate is not only grossly misleading, but it flies in the face of my conservative record as a nine year member of the Finance

Committee.

With regard to employee health benefits, I have never advocated the Town's cutting employee health benefits. What I have supported, and will continue to support is provide health benefits for its employees. I also have made it perfectly clear throughout this campaign that I understand the role of the union at the collective bargaining table. My husband was a union bargaining agent for years. Hypothetically, I presume that everything is always on the table for purpose of discussion, but the employees and their union representatives are an important and necessary player in the bargaining process. I support that process.

In that same letter, the author claims that I "pushed for private out-of-town company to make millions of dollars at the expense of Wilmington's environment." This statement could not be further from the truth. Like many people, I voted in favor of the town by-law to prohibit landfill operators from importing contaminated soil as fill material for capping operations. As a member of the Planning Board, I recommended that Town Meeting vote "yes" to that by-law, and my position is a matter of public record.

Finally with regard to the Planning Board of Appeals indeed has the authority to consider certain aspects of the case. Also as a result of the decision of the Court, however, the Planning Board's authority to control the construction of the roadway was

confirmed.

the Planning Board's authority to control the construction of the roadway was confirmed.

The end result of the suit was to require buildings to construct streets assessing certain lots in accordance with town specifications. That is the right decision, and I supported it.

I note with interest that when it comes to spending town resources on repetitive lawsuits, a review of Town Counsel's annual reports for the last ten years shows just how many times the author of that letter, Mark Nelson, has sued the Town. As a member of the Planning Board defending a number of these suits, I certainly don't feel any "shame" or regret for defending the Town's obligation to prevent irresponsible development. To the contrary, I stand by every single appeal and lawsuit of which I was a part of. As a member of the Planning Board, I have never obstructed reasonable development, but I have taken tremendous pride in helping the Town project itself against bad development.

I want to thank you for the opportunity to respond to these inaccurate and misleading letters delivered to you last week. I hope that the tone of this response demonstrates the logical, civil manner in which I conduct business. I hope it underscores my ability to set the facts straight, without getting down in the mud.

Sincerely,
Ann Yurek



Insurance Weekly

by Christina Miceli, CPCU, CIC, LIA

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Dear Editor,

As a selectman, I have received many phone calls and have met with many residents regarding the new library proposal.

I will start this letter by applauding everyone who has taken the time to be involved in the process. I personally attended and actively participated in several meetings at the library over the past year and saw for myself, the passion that the Library Trustees have for their cause.

In the meetings I attended and the discussions with members of the Library Board of Trustees that I had, I felt that they were truly looking to compromise on their original proposal for a new library, which was to be constructed at the Whitefield site. In reviewing the current proposal at the Swain Site, I feel that there is no compromise here with the sole exception of the location.

I will state, as I see it, once again the issue of the library is dividing rather than unifying our town. Many of the residents I spoke to, both young and old alike, are concerned about the total affect of an \$11.6 million dollar debt on their tax bill. They are aware of the potential of up to \$3.3 Million grant but are still faced with well over \$8 million that the taxpayers need to pay. The Trustees break it down to only \$5.8 per month but are not looking at the total debt including the interest on the \$8 plus million dollar loan. We are now paying \$5.8 extra a fill-up for gas.

If this building is built, we will need to spend thousands of additional tax dollars to heat in the

winter and air condition in the summer. This is on top of additional staffing, custodial services and routine maintenance. We have not heard about any plan to replace the parking area that will be lost for not only the high school students but the users of the common as well.

The budget proposed at the upcoming Town Meeting if passed will increase the average tax bill by \$297.00 on top of what we are currently paying. Keep in mind that our taxes went up last year and we had to take \$2.5 million out of free cash to cover the budget preventing a Prop 2 1/2 override. This year, we are proposing to take an additional \$1.25 million from free cash to balance the budget. We are looking at the possibility of a new public safety sub-station in North Wilmington next year at a projected construction cost of \$1.5 million and an additional \$750K each year to staff and maintain.

I see the town paying more next year for natural gas and oil to heat our existing buildings as well as a premium for gasoline for roughly 168 town owned vehicles. This is in addition to increasing health care costs and cost of providing the excellent services this town offers.

I feel that we should not move forward with any library project at this time because of both the financial timing of such a project and the uncertainty of what other major expenditures the town may have to face.

The Board of Selectmen has asked the Town Manager for a Capital Improvement Plan on

what he and the town administration feels are the major expenditure priorities in Wilmington. As we have not yet received this, how can we go forward with any capital improvement? The manager has stated that he will provide this list later this spring, after the library vote has been taken at town meeting.

I have had residents say that they will support the project, at town meeting because they felt that the project should be brought to a ballot vote. These same people have stated they will vote against it at the ballot. This to me makes little sense. If you do not support the project, vote no.

I need to reply to last week's "name withheld by request" who stated "...a majority of the Selectmen won't even let the vote go to the people... If we don't want a library then let us vote it for ourselves. We don't need selectmen using this for election purposes".

The entire Board of Selectmen voted to include the articles to be discussed at our town meeting, including the library issue. As individuals, members of the Board have publicly stated their individual position on this issue but the attendees at town meeting will decide this issue, not the Board of Selectmen.

In closing, my opinion as an elected official and more importantly as a taxpayer is not to support the construction of a new library.

Selectman Frank West
Wilmington



Property taxes & senior citizens

An op-ed piece by State Senator Sue Tucker

There are a number of proposals before the Legislature this year to help low income senior citizens cope with rising property taxes. The Legislature recognizes that rapid increases in both health care costs and real estate values are dealing a severe one-two punch to those living on a fixed income.

Although several programs exist to provide property tax relief, the income and asset restrictions have not kept up with inflation and rising property values. As a result, the number of seniors eligible for such programs has declined by several thousand in the last few years.

As Chair of the Elderly Affairs Committee, I am interested in hearing from Tewksbury citizens about which type of proposals would make a difference to seniors in the community struggling to stay in their own homes.

The typical \$500 exemption for low-income seniors age 70 and over is reimbursed to the cities and towns by the state. It has been capped at \$500 for the past 20 years. Years ago this exemption paid a significant part of a tax bill. Today the average Massachusetts property tax bill is \$2,894, so this exemption does not go very far to lift the burden.

Furthermore, to be eligible for this exemption, a single senior can have an income of no more than \$13,000 and assets (excluding the home) of no more than \$28,000. These income/asset limits vary due to many factors, but this example illustrates the very low thresholds under the current law. Clearly this excludes many people who need help, and needs to be updated.

Many communities have taken it upon themselves to raise the amount of the exemption and the eligibility limits to include more of their seniors. However, the state only reimburses them at the old \$500 rate. That is why there is broad support for changing the state law to a much larger exemption of \$1,400 and making more people eligible.

You may recall last year that there was a proposal to exempt senior citizens from any tax increases due to Proposition 2 1/2 overrides. In my opinion, it is unfair to shift too much of the tax burden to younger families, many of whom are experiencing their own financial difficulties. Every time a community provides an unreimbursable tax break to one group, other taxpayers in town pick it up.

One exception is the senior citizen circuit breaker which is entirely state funded so the tax breaks are not shifted to other property tax payers in town. The circuit breaker provided help to 31,000 Massachusetts seniors last year, and could serve as a model for helping more seniors. The age limit is 65, and the income limits are more generous at \$44,000 for singles, and \$66,000 for couples. Seniors paying more than 10% of their income on property taxes get a refund on from the state of up to \$820 this year.

To receive the circuit breaker refund, seniors must file a special section of the Mass Income Form even if they owe no taxes. The Legislature is considering raising the limit of how much the home can be worth from \$440,000 to \$600,000. For example, I have a constituent whose tax bill is way over 10% of his income, but he is not eligible for the circuit breaker because his home is assessed a few

thousand dollars over the \$440,000 limit. Again I am interested in your opinion on this.

Finally, when all else fails financially, under the current law low-income seniors can defer payment of taxes altogether until the property is sold or upon their death. In this case the heirs must pay the full amount of deferred taxes plus interest. The current interest rate is 8% a year on taxes owed when property is sold, and 16%

a year on the total after the taxpayer dies. There are proposals to reduce this interest rate significantly because it is a major barrier to taking advantage of this provision.

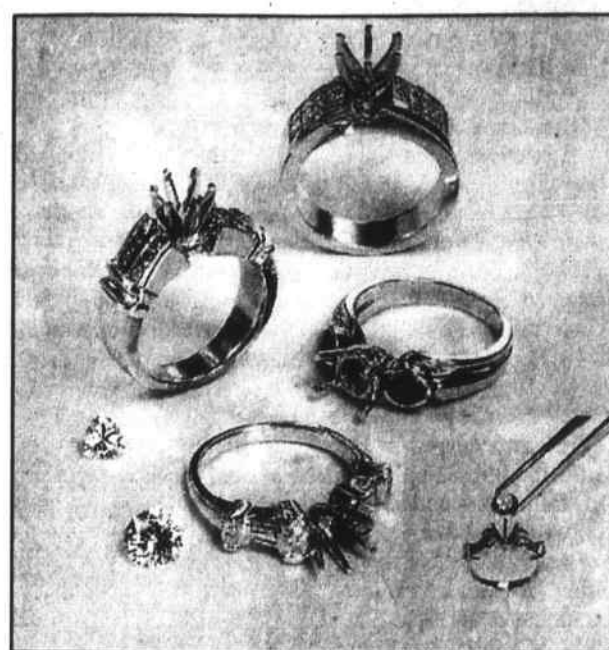
As long as Massachusetts relies so much on the property tax to fund education and local services the debate will continue on how to make it as fair as possible. Years ago it was assumed that a person's property worth was linked to a per-

son's ability to pay. Today this is no longer true, especially for those on fixed incomes. No one in local or state government wants the elderly to leave their cherished homes because of high property taxes.

I encourage anyone with ideas about property tax relief for seniors to please call my Senate office at (617) 722-1612 or email me at susan.tucker@state.ma.us.

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Tewksbury Police log

Monday, April 4

3:52 a.m. Police responded to a report of a disturbance of the peace at the Motel Caswell located at 450 Main Street.

4:04 a.m. A home on Trull Road was burglarized.

11:06 a.m. Police responded to a report of shoplifting at Market Basket located at 10 Main Street. Robert Jolly, 41, of Westford, was arrested at the scene and was charged with shoplifting, by asportation.

2:33 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 2316 Main Street.

4:25 p.m. Police responded to a dispute between neighbors in the vicinity of 1320 Andover Street.

5:59 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of South Street and Salem Street.

Gerard Leo Christian, 21, of Lowell, was arrested in the vicinity of 1915 Andover Street on the basis of a warrant.

Tuesday, April 5

6:58 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 875 East Street.

6:27 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 333 Main Street.

Luz Teresa, 48, of Lowell, was arrested in the vicinity of 264 East Street and was charged with speeding and operating a motor vehicle after suspension or revocation of her driver's license.

Rodney Blinn, 40, of Farmington, New Hampshire, was arrested in the vicinity of 89 Main Street on the basis of a

warrant.

Wednesday, April 6

8:03 a.m. A motor vehicle was reported stolen from 304 Old Main Street.

1:57 p.m. Police responded to a report of a disturbance of the peace occurring at the Ryan School at 135 Pleasant Street.

5:13 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Bradford Road.

10:41 p.m. A wallet, cell phone and some cash were reportedly stolen from Sports World Center, Inc., located at 20 Carter Street.

Michael A. Murray, 22, of Billerica, was arrested in the vicinity of 54 Salem Road on the basis of a warrant.

Michael T. McNeil, 26, of Wakefield, was arrested in the vicinity of Green Meadow on the basis of a warrant.

Thursday, April 7

11:02 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 464 Woburn Street.

4:06 p.m. Paint was maliciously thrown on a house on Bell Road.

7:26 p.m. An unwanted person was removed from a home on Hinckley Road.

8:06 p.m. A motor vehicle-

related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1040 Main Street.

9:32 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Old Boston Road.

Friday, April 8

12:00 a.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Florence Avenue. Joe Wayne Baker, 44, of Tewksbury, was arrested at the scene and was charged with

indecent assault and battery on a mentally challenged person, assault and battery on a mentally challenged person, assault and battery on a child with

injury, resisting arrest and three counts of domestic assault and battery.

8:26 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Marston Street.

8:39 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 2280 Main Street.

11:09 a.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Valley Road.

3:04 p.m. Police responded to a report of shoplifting at Market Basket. Keith Ganier, 32, of Billerica, was arrested at the scene and charged with shoplifting by asportation.

Samantha Brings, 24, of Lynn,

was arrested in the vicinity of 1695 Andover Street on the basis of a warrant.

Dana Mercer, 45, of Lowell, was arrested in the vicinity of 400 Shawshen Street and charged with operating a motor vehicle after the suspension or revocation of his driver's license.

Saturday, April 9

9:50 a.m. A bike was stolen from a residence on Catamount Road.

4:04 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1388 Main Street.

Sunday, April 10

2:00 a.m. Police responded to a report of a disturbance of the peace at the 99 Restaurant and Pub located at 401 Main Street.

2:22 a.m. Police responded to a report of a disturbance of the peace at Purity Plaza located at 553 Main Street.

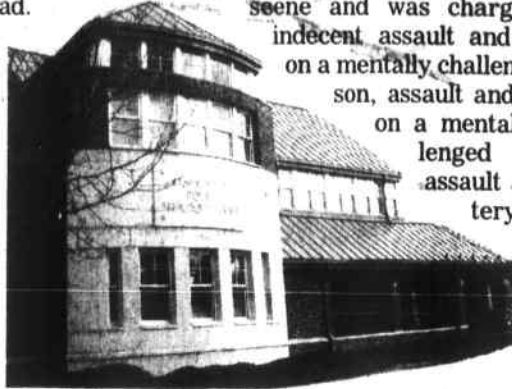
2:39 a.m. A home on Chandler Street was burglarized.

4:34 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Concrete Road.

4:43 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 149 Fiske Street.

9:12 p.m. Police responded to a report of a disturbance of the peace at French's Subs Restaurant located at 1086 Main Street. The call resulted in the arrest of two individuals. A 17-year-old, Wilmington youth was arrested and charged with possession of a class D substance.

William Droll, 20, of Tewksbury, was arrested on the basis of a warrant.



Wilmington Police log

Monday, April 4

8:07 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 120 Chestnut Street.

12:39 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 240 Main Street.

12:56 p.m. The rear window of a van parked on Cedar Street was smashed maliciously.

1:43 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Aldrich Road.

3:34 p.m. An assault and battery occurred on Mink Run Road.

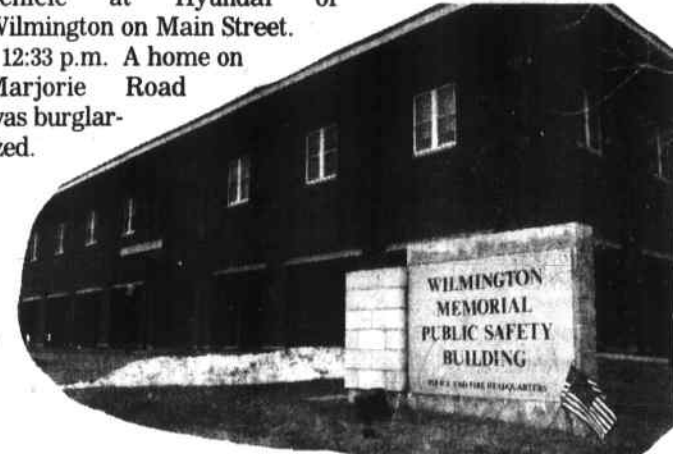
Tuesday, April 5

7:30 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of Route 125 and Interstate 93.

7:40 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 50 Adams Street.

10:12 a.m. Parts were stolen sometime overnight off of a vehicle at Hyundai of Wilmington on Main Street.

12:33 p.m. A home on Marjorie Road was burglarized.



Michelle

Hunter, 24, of Gloucester, was arrested in the vicinity of 240 Fordham Road on the basis of a warrant.

Caleb Swalec, 18, of West Boylston, was arrested in the vicinity of 11 Cherokee Lane on the basis of a warrant.

Wednesday, April 6

10:04 a.m. Police assisted in resolving a dispute between neighbors of Pilling Road.

2:22 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 212 Main Street.

3:18 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Concord Street in the vicinity of the Interstate 93 interchange.

6:07 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1 Towpath Drive.

7:02 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Hillcrest Street.

10:01 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 31 Main Street.

Bradley Herrington, 44, of 2 Great Heron Place in Andover, was arrested in the vicinity of 411 Main Street and was charged with operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.

Alejandro Moreta, 22, of Lawrence, was stopped by police in the vicinity of 340 Ballardvale Street and received a summons for operating a motor vehicle with a suspended driver's license.

Celso Deolivera, 30, of Marlborough, was stopped by

police in the vicinity of Cone Street and received a summons for operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license.

Thursday, April 7

11:25 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1 King Street.

1:16 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 68 Middle Avenue.

5:39 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Wildwood Street.

Friday, April 8

12:22 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 251 Ballardvale Street.

4:20 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of Wildwood Street and Middlesex Avenue.

8:35 p.m. A rock was maliciously thrown through a window of a residence on

McDonald Road.

Stephen Ritucci, 27, of Wilmington, received a summons for allowing the operation of an unregistered motor vehicle.

Eddy Garrido, 41, of Lynn, was arrested in the vicinity of 211 Lowell Street and was charged with operating a motor vehicle with a suspended driver's license, operating a motor vehicle after the revocation of his driver's license, and falsely attaching license plates to a motor vehicle.

Saturday, April 9

9:44 a.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Shawshen Avenue.

12:00 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of Church Street and Main Street.

8:34 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 211 Lowell Street.

Sunday, April 10

11:22 a.m. Police assisted in resolving a dispute between neighbors of McDonald Road.

12:31 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 167 Main Street.

9:04 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Kilmarnock Street.

Melissa Manet, 23, of Wilmington, was stopped by police in the vicinity of 60 Glen Road and received a summons for operating an unregistered and uninsured motor vehicle.

Wilmington Rotary Club

announces 2005 scholarships

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The Wilmington Rotary Club announced today its intention to distribute \$20,000 in scholarship money to Wilmington residents who are graduating from high school with the Class of 2005. These grants consist of one \$4,000 scholarship, two \$3,000 scholarships, one \$2,000 scholarship and three \$1,000 scholarships. In addition, this year, two \$2,000 scholarships and one \$1,000 scholarship in the memory of Claire M. Peterson will also be awarded. These scholarships are open to all Wilmington residents, regardless of high school

attended. Over the past sixteen years, the Wilmington Rotary Club has distributed over \$200,000 in scholarship funds to Wilmington residents, and is extremely proud to continue this tradition in 2005.

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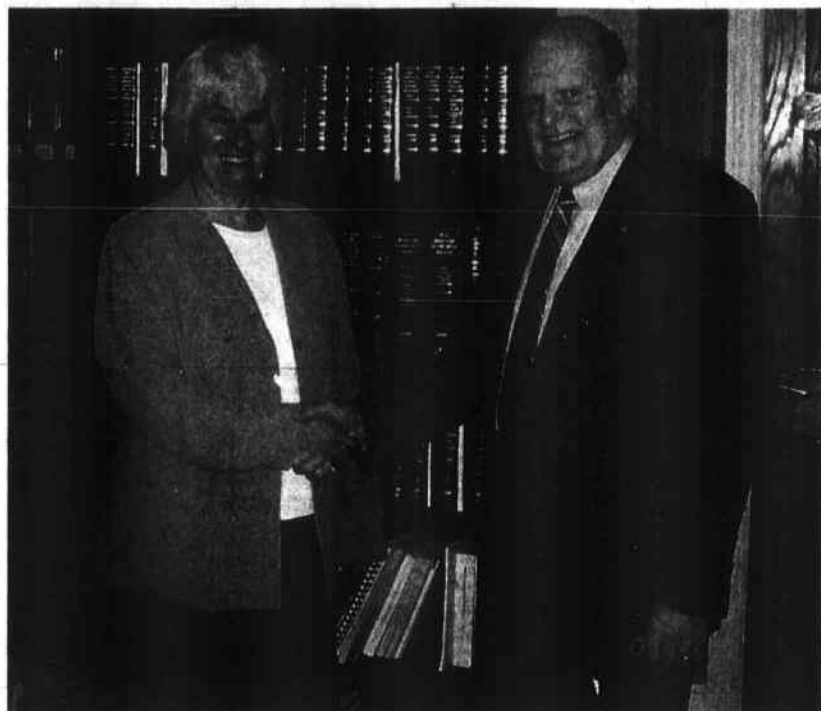
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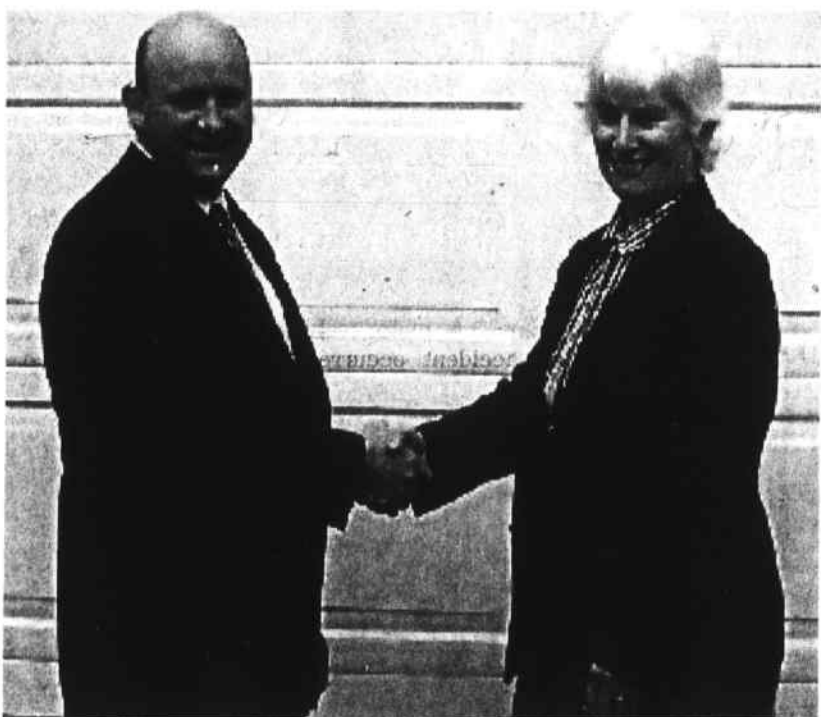
WE SUPPORT ANN YUREK FOR SELECTMAN



"I support a well-educated problem solver for Selectman. That's why this year, I am giving my wholehearted support to Ann Yurek. She is a talented leader who cares about the town, and she has proven it through her many years of service on a number of important boards and committees."

Bob Palmer

- Former Superintendent of Public Works
- Former Member of the Board of Selectmen
- Current Member of the Finance Committee



"Ann Yurek's credentials are impressive, but speaking as someone lucky enough to serve on the current Board of Selectmen, I want to highlight some qualities that I feel are even more important than what you would read on her resume. Fairness. Professionalism. Consideration for others. Clarity of Thought. Reasoned Opinions based on Facts. Straight Shooting. Any candidate who brings these traits to the table is worthy of your vote."

Mike Newhouse

- Member of the Board of Selectmen



"I have spent 45 of my 47 years in Wilmington serving the Town. During that time, I've seen a lot of Selectmen come and go, but this year, I am publicly endorsing a candidate for the first time in ages. That candidate is Ann Yurek. I feel very deeply that as a Selectman, Ann would represent a huge step in the right direction for our community."

James Banda, Sr.

- Former Member of the Board of Selectmen

"I've worked with Ann Yurek on the Planning Board for over two years. What I find most impressive about her is her professionalism, poise and intelligence. She uses these qualities to make sure that no one takes advantage of our neighbors."

James Banda, Jr.

- Planning Board Member

WHAT OTHERS SAY ABOUT ANN YUREK

"I support Ann Yurek because she is a woman who clearly states what she feels based on her thoughtful assessment of the facts. Her agenda for a better quality of life for all citizens of Wilmington is clear and well defined."

Peggy Kane

- School Committee Member
- Board of Library Trustees

"Ann Yurek is intelligent, progressive and strong-willed. Please vote for her on Saturday, April 16th."

Ed Jones

- Resident and Town Activist

"I am voting for Ann Yurek because she is committed to improving education in Wilmington. She personifies the kind of professional government that has brought our schools a long way in the last ten years."

Theresa Buonopane

- School Committee Member

"As a fellow member of the Planning Board, I know that Ann Yurek has strong opinions about protecting our neighborhoods. I recall in one case, a resident was concerned about sunlight being blocked by a proposed development. Ann brought the issue to the table and negotiated a change to the plans. No yelling, screaming or grandstanding. Problem solved."

Rondi Holland

- Member of the Planning Board

"In tough economic times like these, we need a Selectman who will work productively and cooperatively with the Town Manager, to ensure Wilmington's long term financial stability. I know Ann Yurek will be that Selectman."

Harry Cunningham

- Resident and Community Leader

"I enthusiastically support Ann Yurek for Selectman. Regardless of my position on the construction of a new library—which we as residents will control at Town Meeting and at the Ballot Box—we need Ann's strong background in finance to join Wilmington's leadership team. I urge you to vote for Ann Yurek on April 16th."

Jim Rooney

- Former Member of the Board of Selectmen

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT ANN, SEE THIS WEEK'S INSERT



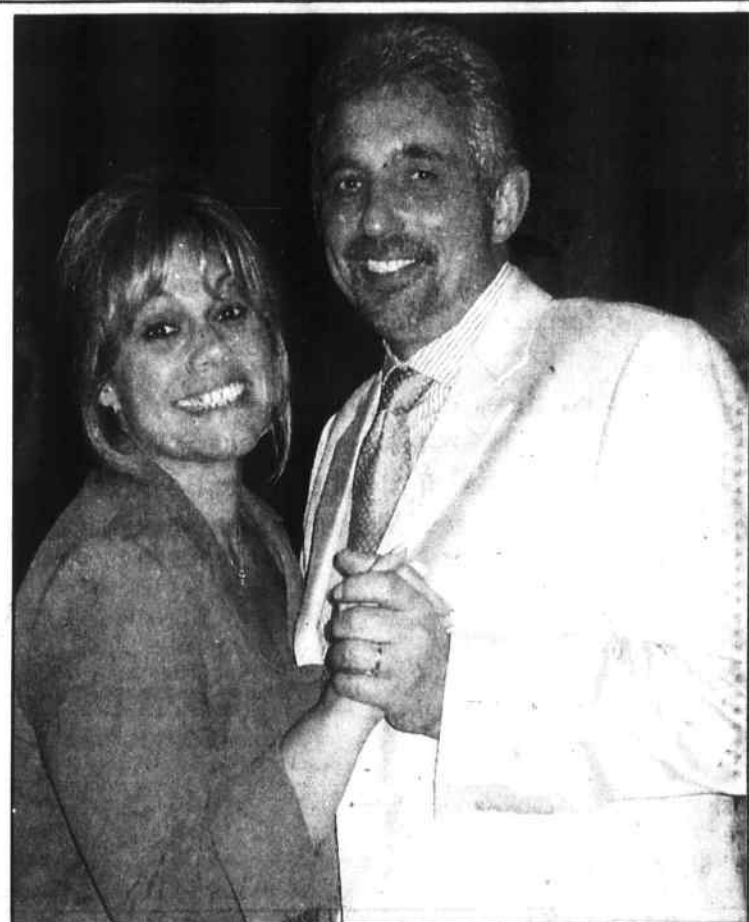
Sandra Curtin, Joan Searfoss, Dick Searfoss, Marlene Moran and Dianna DiGregorio, members of the 275th Committee calling raffle winners at the Casa di Fior during the anniversary ball. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



GREAT FUN AT THE BALL: Shelia and Jim Clark enjoyed dancing at the fund raiser dinner dance held by the Wilmington 275th Committee last Friday night. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



RUNNING THE SHOW: Mike McCoy, Chairman of the Wilmington Board of Selectmen (right) honored Jack Cushing as Chairman of the 275th Committee. McCoy expressed the feelings of everyone as he called Cushing the man who runs everything in Wilmington. (Stu Neilson photo)



DINNER/DANCE: Yvonne and Barry Fiorenza (right) danced in the glow of having served the town - literally. They were the caterers for Wilmington's 275th Anniversary Ball. A lovely meal was served to over 250 revelers.

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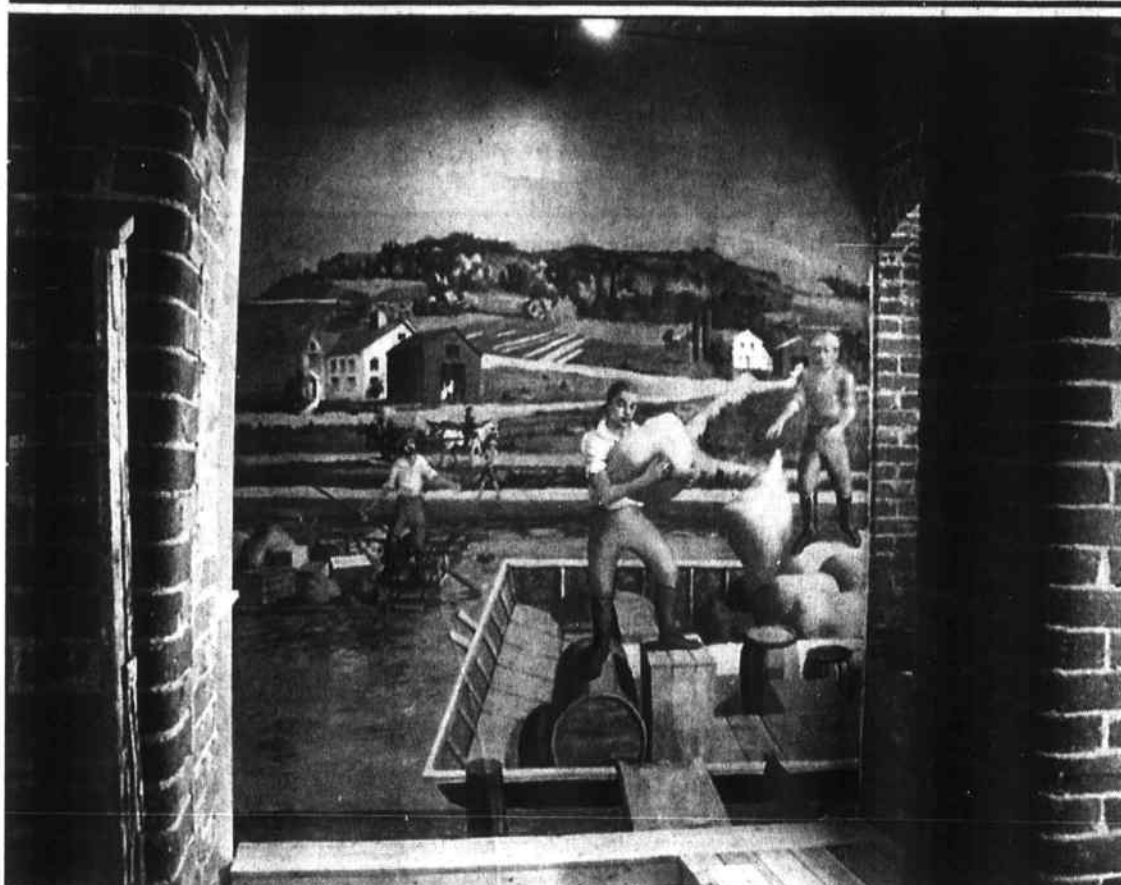
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WORKING ON THE CANAL. A mural depicts the daily routine of workers along America's "first highway". The Middlesex Canal Association has a museum in the Faulkner Mill in Billerica.

Middlesex Canal Association Spring Walk

A leisurely stroll through local history

WILMINGTON - The Middlesex Canal Association will be hosting its annual Spring Walk on Saturday, April 15, 2005. The walk, which is open to the public, will begin in Wilmington at 1:30 p.m.

The spring walk will be a leisurely stroll along a very scenic and rural section of the historical canal from the Wilmington Town Park south around the swamp and north to Patch's Pond, which once served as a canal basin.

They will examine the grooves in the boulders created by the towropes of boats as they wound around the canal Ox Bow. The remains of Maple Meadow Brook Aqueduct and a stone quarry used in the construction of the aqueduct will also be explored.

Directions: From Wilmington

Center (Intersection of Rts 62 and 38) follow Rt 38 toward Woburn 1 mile. After crossing the hill over the railroad. Park in the Town Park parking lot on your right.

For more information please

call:
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MARKING the LOCATION: Along side the road, a few hundred yards from Main Street, careful observers travelling Butters Row can find the old canal bed, noted by this marker.



This section will be the focus of a "canal walk" on Saturday, April 16, beginning at 1:30 p.m., sponsored by the Middlesex Canal Association. This is aqueduct over Maple Meadow Brook near the Town Park, located on Main Street (Route 38) This will be the starting point.

Boston Bakes for Breast Cancer, May 2-8

BOSTON - Sweets for the sweet. Boston's best pastry chefs will be creating delightful desserts during the week leading up to Mother's Day, all to benefit the Gillette Center for Women's Cancers at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.

The 6th annual "Boston Bakes for Breast Cancer" involves more than 100 pastry chefs creating unique desserts during the week of May 2-8. Eat at any of the participating restaurants during the week and when you order the special dessert, 100 percent of the proceeds will benefit the Eva Brownman Breast Cancer Fund, a non-profit, grassroots organization that supports breast cancer research and education at Dana Farber.

For more information about this event, including participating restaurants and chefs, visit www.bostonbakesforbreastcancer.org.

Public invited, free of charge Gallant Sons of Erin to play at Middle School

WILMINGTON - The members of the Sarah Carter Committee invite everyone to celebrate the Town's 275th anniversary at our very special program.

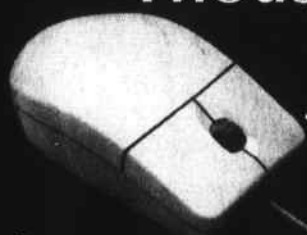
The Gallant Sons of Erin, Civil War re-enactors, will present a concert featuring Irish music of the Civil War. All members of the group are part of the recreated 28th Massachusetts Volunteers, Company K, that fought as part

of the Union's Irish Brigade. This program will be held free of charge in the Middle School Auditorium, Carter Lane, on Friday, May 6th at 7:00 p.m.

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WILMINGTON - Sunday, May 1, 2005, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Wilmington Town Museum at the Harnden Tavern. The Museum's monthly Open House will feature a "Colonial Days" event with The Friends of the Harnden Tavern. Learn about

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Wilmington Library Notes

by Christina Stewart

Poetry contest winners

Congratulations to the following winners in the library's annual poetry contest. Over 200 poems were submitted expressing this year's Wilmington theme. In addition to the winners, there were a number of poems that were given "honorable mention" recognition. Everyone is invited to come to Poetry Night at the library on Thursday, April 14 at 7:00 to hear all the winners read their poems.

Special thanks to judges of the 2005 poetry contest: Carolyn Harris, Chairman Wilmington Historical Commission, Barbara Hooper, Library Trustee, and Susan MacDonald, Children's Librarian. Also thanks to Gloria Corcoran for organizing all the entries that are available to read in a binder at the library.



Sean Woodbury belted out renditions of "Soul Man" and "Holiday" during Wilmington Memorial Library's April 11th Teen Open Mic Night. (Paul Chinappi photo)

Grades K-3 Winner: Anna M. Ardizzoni,
Grade 2, Shawsheen Elementary School

THE WILMINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Wilmington Fire Department is a great place!
Every time I go there, I see a smiling face!
The firefighters teach us to "Stop, drop, and roll"
While other firefighters are sliding down a pole!
People call "9-1-1"
And our brave firefighters come!
The fires they fight will be scary and hot,
So they'll follow the safety rules they were taught!
Their trucks and sirens are very loud,
But when they drive by, I feel proud.

Grades 4-5 Winner: Dan Luise,
Grade 4, North Intermediate School

WILMINGTON

Wilmington, Wilmington you're the best
There is so much to do I can never rest.
Our colors are blue and white and in sports we fight!
Everyday we play the sports we like to do.
Football, soccer, hockey too
Are all fun sports we like to do.
Wilmington,
Wilmington,
You're the best there is so much to do I can never rest
Carnivals are fun I saw a poster it said "roller coaster!"
Friends are always there and family is near.
It's great to have them around here.
All my memories from long ago, oh how much I would hate to go.
Wilmington,
Wilmington
You're so fun I think you are number one!!!

Middle School Winner: Melissa Mahoney,
Grade 8, Middle School

LITTLE HILL

I used to think my backyard a forest, with titan trees and evergreen boughs,
And we'd go explore the new frontier, and lose sight of my safe-haven house.

And we discovered a little hill, and named it precisely that.
And a tiny tree grew upon it, and we found ourselves always coming back.

So Little Hill became our place, we cleared away all the growth,
And expanded to include more land, to our castle with no moat.

We dragged logs from over yonder, to seat our growing clan,
And sat around our invisible fire, to discuss further expansion plans.

But that summer was the last, the final legacy of Little Hill.
For one of the founding members, moved with his family against his will.

So our discovery was forgotten, nature took it once more,
And with each season it seemed smaller, though it never felt that way before.

High School Winner: Sean Mahoney,
Grade 9, WHS

WHAT TO DO IN WILMINGTON

Places to go in Wilmington?
You may find there are a ton.
Fields, parks, and grounds-of-play

Can be enjoyed by you all day.
Things such as the tennis courts may interest those who are into sports.

Find it is too hot today?

Silver Lake will cure your dismay!
Harnden Tavern's history
May interest those who wish to see.
The Common is a common place
To go on the Fourth of July.
Just look up above you
And see the fireworks in the sky.
One more place that you could go
Is very important for you to know
There's always something for you to do
At our library.
It's the one closest to you!

Adult Winner: M. Frost Delaney

1950's WILMINGTON

Cushman Baker Whoopie pies,
Milkbox ice in summer,
Maggots in the garbage pail,

Town dump mountained, musty trash,
Skating club at Old South School,
Weathered dirt and muddy roads,

Family treks upcountry,
Before Route 93.

Oliver 8 party lines,
1730 House
Penny candy and Weinberg's,

Tatersall's at Silver Lake,
Walker School first lessons,
Spanking rooms behind closed doors,

Library at Centre School,
Roman Way connection.

Rural charms and challenges
Faded into growing
Memories in Wilmington gone by.

Honorable Mentions:

Grades K-3

Maggie Rivera, 108 Glen Road, Grade 3, Woburn St - Town Hall
Chris Tivnan, 20 Allen Park Dr., Gr. 3, Woburn St - Officer Chris
Erin Berube, 300R Salem Street, Grade 3, Woburn St - Wilmington Common

Alexa Marquard, 21 Kenwood Ave, Grade 3, Woburn St - Fun on the Fourth

Grades 4-5

Jennifer Sferrazza, 16 Houghton Road, Grade 4, WIS - Wilmington Fireworks

Gaven Carta, 107 Glen Road, Grade 4, NIS - Silver Lake
Nicole Foss, 131 Church Street, Grade 5, NIS - The 4th of July

Middle School

Angelina Amato, 11 Ox Bow Drive, Grade 6 - Ode to Wilmington
Joe Fitzgerald, 301 Pouliot Place, Grade 6 - Ode to Wilmington
Meghan Ryan, 57 Marion Street, Grade 7 - Entering Wilmington
Valerie Albano, 9 Cedarcrest Road, Grade 6 - Ode to Wilmington



Mike Servino and Matt Holden (on guitar) took to the stage during Wilmington Memorial Library's Teen Open Mic Night. (Paul Chinappi photo)

High School
Michael Robarge, 4 Olive Street, Grade 9, WHS - Town of a Million Foods

Leah DelRossi, 18 Crystal Road, Grade 10, WHS - Wilmington Wildcats

Christopher Lyon, 63 Andover Street, Grade 10, WHS - no title
Jon Chirichiello, 46 Burnap Street, Grade 10, WHS - 275 Years of Wilmington

Adult

Nina Reardon, 31 Marion Street - Untitled
Edna Ferguson, 21 Marcus Road - Thanks to a Storm
Anne Buzzell, 221 Salem Street - Our Town
Barbara J. Zaino, 20 Linda Road - Ode to Wilmington

Upcoming Children's Programs

Flap Your Wings!

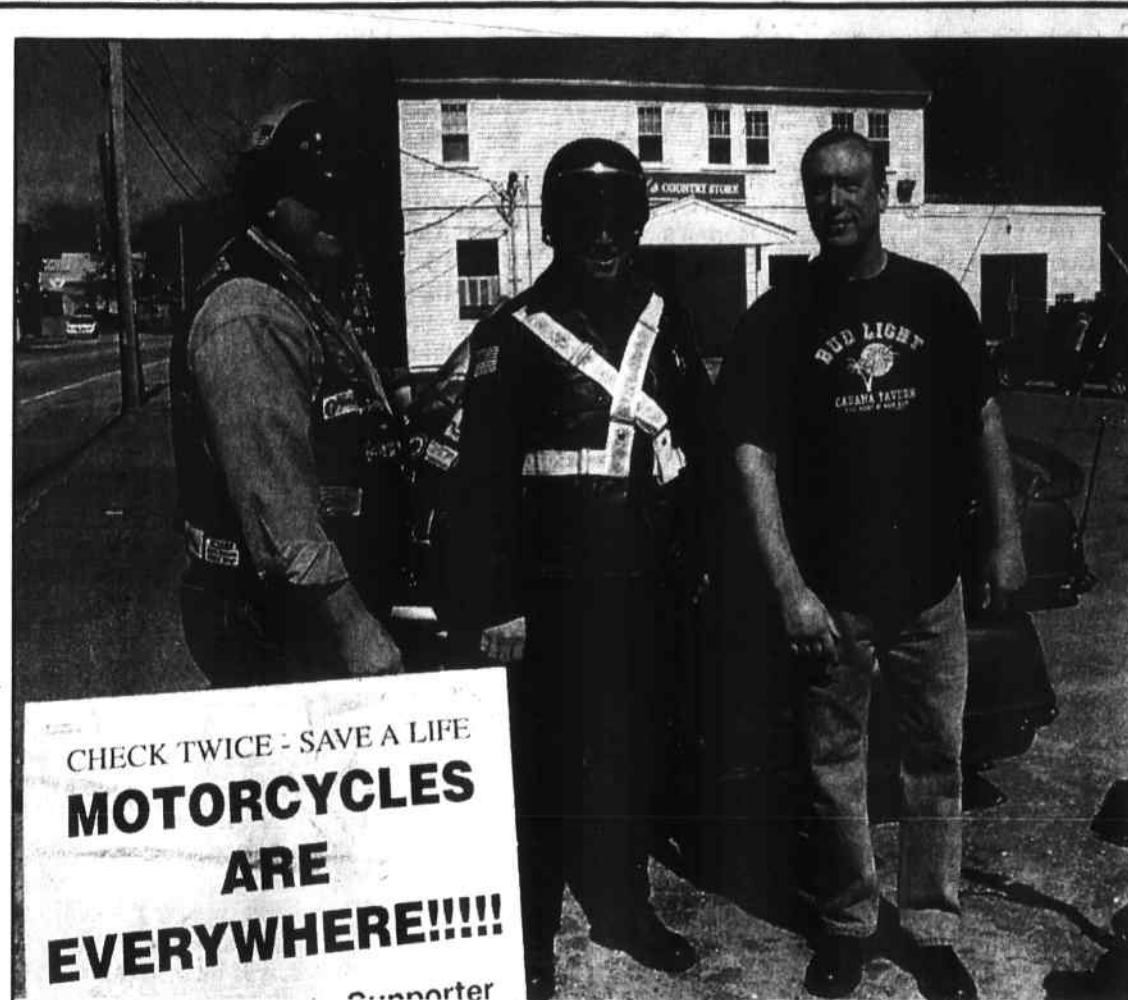
Birds will be featured in the upcoming story/craft program, Flap Your Wings!, to be presented to children ages five and older on Thursday, April 21st at 3:30 pm. Registration is required and may be made by visiting or calling the Children's Room at (978) 694-2098.

Star Mag

Artists and authors ages eight and older are invited to drop-in to the next Star Mag meeting to be held on Wednesday, April 20th at 3:30 pm. Bring your finished work with you for inclusion in the summer edition of this magazine which is distributed at the library. Highlights will include "food" articles and drawings to tie in with the upcoming summer reading program, Simmer with Summer Reading. Refreshments will be served and there will be a drawing for a door prize.



BAD DINOSAUR: Heath Brook students of Mrs. McWilliams and Mrs. Gallo performed a prehistoric play on April 7 and 8th. Kathleen Silk and Richard Pachucki were dinosaurs being scolded by Kerri Hagarty, pretending to be Principal Miss King. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



"Sarge" Comolla, Tewksbury Officer Dan Kerber and Hobart (Dennis Giles) are joining forces to promote motorcycle safety. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



PENNIES FOR PATIENTS: Wilmington's Woburn Street School students participated in an annual fundraiser for the Leukemia/Lymphoma Society. During the month of March, students donated spare change and other donations to the fund. Miss Jodi Lamont's students raised \$353.76, the largest amount of money of all the participating classes. (front l-r) Joseph Hydorn, Ashley Weadick, Alyssa Faro, Zachary Smart, Joshua Sultan, Steven Carvalho, Carl Anderson (middle l-r) Jamie Busby, Lauren Fitch, James O'Regan, Zachary Abbott, Emily Troy, Jacob Aoki (standing l-r) Michael Amato, Zachary Malatesta, Emma Ceres, Meghan Stemmler, Lori Trites School Nurse, Jennifer Kennedy Campaign director of school youth programs for the Leukemia/Lymphoma Society, teacher Jodi Lamont, Jasmine Methot, Tristan Hayes, Alise Lamothe, Rebeka Wierzbicki, Andrew Lesperance. Missing from photo is Sydney Ferry. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

EXPERIENCE



ACCESSIBILITY:

Mike McCoy has always been accessible, whether he has taken or returned your phone calls, met with you at your home, or even met many of you at his restaurant. Mike McCoy is not hard to find. He has always taken the time to meet with his constituents.

ACCOUNTABILITY:

Mike McCoy is a firm believer that when you vote on or talk about an issue you're committed to that vote. You'll never see Mike McCoy flip-flop on any issue.

FAIR PLAY:

As Chairman of the Board of Selectmen for the past two years, Mike McCoy has always been fair to his colleagues...even if he had a different opinion, and always treated residents with respect when acknowledging them at public meetings.

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Mike McCoy takes the duty of being Selectman seriously. His attendance record is over 98%, his voting record has always been residentially based.

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Mike McCoy is the only candidate who will NEVER FLIP-FLOP ON ANY ISSUE

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2005 scholarship applications available

TEWKSBURY The Tewksbury Rotary Club will award three \$1,500 scholarships to deserving high school seniors in the Class of 2005 who plan to continue their education at an accredited four-year institution. All applicants must be Tewksbury residents, but may attend either a public or a private high school. Among the qualifications the committee will assess are a student's community service, financial needs, character and leadership skills, and academic achievements. Applications are available at the Tewksbury Memorial High School guidance Department or by contacting a Rotary member.

The Rotary Club selections will be announced at the Tewksbury Memorial High School scholarship awards night. The application deadline is Saturday, April 16. The address for submitting the application is:

Rotary Club of Tewksbury,
Scholarship Committee, PO
Box 97, Tewksbury, MA 01876

Tewksbury Senior Topics

The first Senior Center Breakfast Benefit of the year will be held this Sunday, April 17th, from 7:30 to 11:00 a.m. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Tewksbury Food Pantry.

The menu will include: pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, homefries, beans, cinnamon bread and beverages. Tickets may be purchased at the door at the following prices: adults \$5; children 12 and under \$2; and, toddlers free. Tickets are also available from Pantry volunteers and at the Senior Center prior to the breakfast.

Senior Center Volunteers are asked to check those seminar tickets. Dr. Lillian Arleque will be at the Senior Center for the second part of volunteer week. Dr. Arleque's motivational seminar will begin at 1:30 tomorrow, April 15th. Hope to see all our volunteers there!

This past weekend the Tewksbury Community of Artists (TCA) held a members Art Show at the Senior Center. It was a wonderful day...weather wise and attendance wise...which made for a successful day all around. The TCA extends its thanks to the show judges: Joan Unger, Dr. Joanne Aldrich and Sandy Dukeshire. Judging is always a difficult job which was especially so Saturday due to such a wide variety of great pieces.

The winners were: First Place - Dennis Borge; Second Place - Valerie Borgal and Third Place - Mary Lou Morris. Honorable mention was also given to Eleanor Corey; Pauline DeCarolis and Eva Maria Chase. Congratulations to those mentioned and all the artists who displayed their work at the Art

Show. Winners of the raffle were: Diane Morris, Louise Gearty, Charlotte Sargent, Barbara Pantanella and Ray Paquin.

Seniors are reminded that the Senior Center will be closed this coming Monday, April 18th in recognition of Patriot's Day.

The Council on Aging will hold its regular monthly meeting next Thursday, April 21st at 3:30 p.m. in the main hall. All are welcome to attend.

Joe Santoro is ready to start playing Bocci! Bocci time is Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. Girls and Guys are welcome! Why not come on down and give it a try...people will be there to instruct those who have never played.

If one is planning to attend the Senior Center monthly dance of April 22nd, please note that the last day to obtain tickets will be tomorrow. The staff would like to stress the importance of getting tickets for dances by the cut off date. It is extremely difficult ordering food and arranging the seating plan when participants ask for tickets a couple of days prior to events. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

At the time this article was written, there were still openings on the Mohegan Sun day trip of April 26th. The cost is \$20 and the day includes a casino package. Bus departure is 7:00 a.m. sharp. The Tewksbury Historical Society will hold a meeting at the Senior Center on Thursday, April 28th, beginning at 7:00 p.m. The Community Preservation Act will be explained and discussed at this meeting. Everyone is welcomed.

The craft class will hold its

Annual Sunday Tea at the Senior Center on May Day, Sunday, May 1st. The afternoon will begin at 1:00 p.m. with entertainment. High Tea and refreshments will be served at approximately 2:30 p.m. Tickets are now available at \$12 per person and will be limited to 150 people. Due to the fact that this in favorite event tickets are expected to go quickly.

Dr. Smith will conduct a Podiatry Clinic at the Senior Center on Tuesday, May 3rd. One may sign-up and make his/her \$10 co-payment beginning next Monday. This clinic is limited to Tewksbury Senior Citizens and priority is given to those who were on the waiting list for the last clinic.

Tickets are now available Two Boston Duck Tour trips have been planned for May. The first will be held on May 9th and will include a lunch at Vinny T's at a cost of \$44 per person. The second Duck Tour will be held on May 23rd and will include a breakfast

prior to the tour at the Hard Rock Café at a cost of \$39. Deposits of \$10 are now being accepted for both trips.

A new trip has been planned for the New England Quilt Museum on Wednesday,

April 20th. The cost per person is \$27 and includes a catered lunch. When this article was written, there were also openings for the Mohegan Sun trip of April 26th. The cost of this trip will be \$20. Tickets are also available for next month's dinner and dance which will be held on Friday, April 22nd.

The Shiner's Circus will be held on Friday, May 6th. To help defray the cost of transportation, tickets for this event will be \$3 per person. For more information, one may contact a staff member at the Senior Center at 978-640-4482.

There is a Senior Citizen's Prom event coming up in May, information is posted at the Senior Center and will be noted here next week. Tickets are now available for this event.

Table space reservations for the June 18th Senior Center Yard Sale have begun. Space will go fast so don't wait too long to book a table. The donation for a table space is \$10. One may make reservations with Carol Hazel.

Several Red Hat events have been noted on the Red Hat Bulletin Board at the Senior Center. A few tickets are still available for the Clay Hill Farm & Silvertones Performance of this Sunday, April 17th. Clay Hill tickets are \$37 per person and the trip includes mini bus transportation, lunch and entertainment. Next week tickets will also be available for the Red Hat May events which are: an Italian Pot Luck Supper an entertainment by the "Broadway Tapper" on May 12th (\$5 plus a food item); and, a visit to the Boston play "Shear Madness" on May 22nd. A trip to the North Shore Theatre for Brunch and the play Fame has been planned for Sunday, June 12th. The cost of this trip will be \$48 per person and will include all taxes and gratuities. In order to be able to reserve tickets for Fame, deposits of \$10 are due NOW for this trip. For tickets and/or information see Dee Kerr or Kay Maher on:

Tuesdays from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; Wednesdays from 11:30 to 3:30 p.m.; and, Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

A pleasant and safe holiday weekend is wished to all. God Bless America!



The Buzzell Senior Center in Wilmington recently hosted a candidate debate. John King passed out paper to Edith Dahl and Gloria Szabo to write down their questions for candidates. Wilmington's Annual Election will be held this Saturday.

(Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Wilmington Senior Topics

Recently, the Wilmington Department of Elderly Services has received calls from concerned residents about applying for food stamps. The following information may be helpful to you or someone you know. If you feel that you may benefit from this program do not hesitate to call them and ask questions. Food stamps help you buy food. Whether you live alone or live with others, whether you have children or not, sometimes you can't pay

all the bill and still have enough money to buy food. That's when food stamp benefits can really help.

When you get food stamps, you will be given an account, like a bank account. You will also get a plastic card called the Mass EBT card. Each month, your food stamp benefits are put into your account. You can use your EBT card at grocery stores, convenience stores, markets, and co-ops. You use them the same way

someone would buy food with a bankcard or a credit card.

Food stamps help just when you need it most. But many people don't think that they can get food stamps. You don't have to be on welfare (TAFDC) to get food stamp benefits. You may be eligible even if you are working. It all depends on your income, the money you have saved, and how many people live in your household. If you meet certain guidelines, you can get food stamps.

To find out more you can call the FoodSource Hotline "one-stop shopping" for information about food stamps, emergency food programs and other free and low-cost resources. The telephone number is 1-800-645-8333 Monday -Friday from 8 a.m. -5 p.m.

Up coming events at the Buzzell Senior Center

* The Wilmington Police Department is sponsoring another wonderful event to see the "Big Apple Circus" on Wednesday, May 4. Sign up for this event will start on April 4, 2005 - to place your name in a lottery - and this lottery will be pulled on April 25, at 10 a.m.

*Library Trustee Barbara Hooper and Library Director Tina Stewart will be at the senior center on Thursday, April 14, at 1 p.m. to answer your questions about the proposed new library. This is your opportunity to view the plans close up, find out what the cost will be to you as an individual homeowner, and ask questions one on one.



Jerry O'Reilly posed a question to candidates for selectman pertaining to debt exclusion versus Proposition 2 1/2 overrides during the Senior Center Debate. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Tewksbury Rotary names William Lavigne to Hats Off Award

William J. Lavigne, son of Cheryl and Harry LaVigne was named one of Tewksbury Rotary Clubs Hats Off Award winners for April 2005.

William is ranked 13th out of 244 students and has a grade point average of 4.3. He is a Redmen Gold Card winner (13 times), Renaissance Red and Blue Card winner (2 times), scored 1150 on SAT's and has been a member of the National Honor Society since his junior year.

William is a member of DECA, varsity golf, baseball and hockey teams. He has received several awards including: Freshmen Baseball Most Valuable Player Award, Junior Varsity Baseball 10th Player Award, Varsity Hockey Coach's Award, and the Merrimack Valley Conference All-Star Pitcher Award in his junior year.

He has been a volunteer for the Tewksbury Youth Hockey

Skating Association, Tewksbury Youth Baseball Association, and has been an active volunteer with the Peer Tutoring National Honor Society for math and fundraising events.

William's work experience includes: Market Basket, K-Mart, Berkowitz and Associates, Hit'n Run Baseball Camp and Ron Drouin Baseball Camp at TMHS.

Nominating faculty member, Ms. Sue Sullivan states that Bill is an excellent role model for other students. He has an excellent work ethic and always a positive attitude. He is one of the most polite students I have ever taught. William's projects were always of the highest quality and the attention to detail is outstanding. Besides excelling academically, athletically Bill is also a standout. She highly recommends Bill for this award.

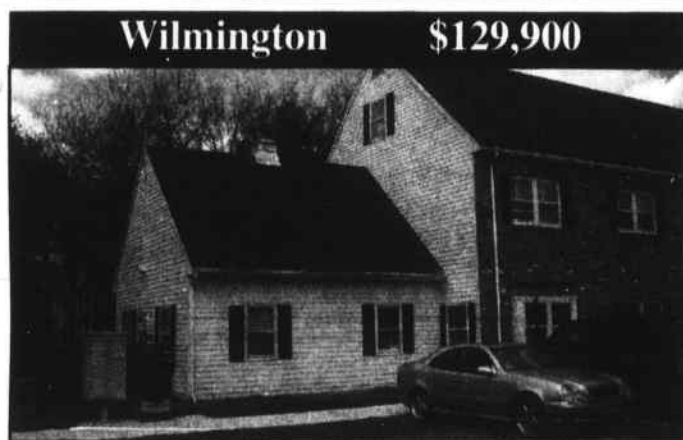
Also, Mr. Lawrence Basteri states that Billy is an outstand-

ing student. He is a gentleman and a strong role model with an even stronger work ethic. He is a great choice.

Miceli office hours

Representative James Miceli will be holding office hours for the Town of Wilmington, Monday April 25th from 9:30 - 11 a.m. at the Wilmington Senior Center and also from 7:30 - 9 p.m. at the Wilmington Town Hall.

Representative James Miceli will be holding office hours for the Town of Tewksbury, Tuesday April 26th from 9:30 - 11 a.m. at the Tewksbury Senior Center and also from 7:30-9 p.m. at the Tewksbury Town Hall.



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The groom-to-be is the son of the late Charles and Ann Monastiero of Malden, MA. He is a graduate of Malden High School. Frank recently served in Iraq with the U.S. Army National Guard Unit of the 110th Maintenance Company of Ayer, MA. He is employed as a VOIP Telephone Technician for Intertel Inc. in Norton MA. A spring 2005 wedding is planned.



Molly Grzelczyk sang "Reflection" in Tewksbury's Wynn Middle School talent show held at the school on April 8, 2005. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Malden Catholic announces honors

The following Wilmington residents made the honor roll list at Malden Catholic High School for the third marking period.

Stephen Allen
HEADMASTER'S LIST
Michael Fitzgerald
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SOCIAL NEWS



Jackie Zaremba got a lesson in basic house wiring from Analog Devices Engineer and educator Charles Kitchin during the annual tech fair held at the Wilmington Middle School April 8th. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Births



DUGAN: Terrance and Mary Ellen Dugan are pleased to announce the birth of their son, John Patrick Dugan born at Brigham and Women's Hospital on February 13, 2005.

Grandparents include Karen and Terrance Dugan, Sr. of Reading, MA, Carol Downey of Wilmington and the late Gerald Downey of Wakefield.

EBERT: John and Leanne (McConologue) Ebert wish to announce the birth of their first child Rose Dorothy born April 4, 2005 at Winchester Hospital. Maternal grandparents are Thomas (Frank) and Rosalie McConologue of Wilmington. Paternal grandparents are George Ebert and the late Dorothy Ebert of Chelsea.



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Lisa Maciel awarded by Tastefully Simple

Lisa Maciel of Tewksbury was named one of the Top 10 Recruiters of 2004 from among those who attended Tastefully Simple's "Let's Party!" Regional Conference, held February 25-26 in Baltimore, Md. She is an independent consultant for Tastefully Simple, Inc., a national direct sales company selling upscale, convenience-driven gourmet foods. Maciel was among more than 2,500 Tastefully Simple consultants nationwide who attended one of Tastefully Simple's five regional conferences. The "Let's Party" theme was chosen because the company is now celebrating its 10th year in business. As of January 2005, more than 20,000 consultants market Tastefully Simple products



through home parties where guests taste the products and receive easy meal ideas, recipes and entertainment suggestions.

Rachel Bliss named to President's List

TEWKSBURY - Rachel Bliss, daughter of Gail and Ralph Bliss of Tewksbury, has been named to Southern New Hampshire University's prestigious President's List for the Fall 2004 semester.

Students of Southern Hampshire University must achieve a Grade Point Average of at least 3.5 in order to qualify for this honor. Rachel is majoring in Education.

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Engineers from Analog Devices visited students of the Wilmington Middle School on Friday, April 8th for their annual tech fair founded by Charles Kitchin. Rickky Noller of Analog shows students (l to r) Danielle Johnston, Nicole Bicheler, Christina Tran and Nichole Layon the electronic light up clothing developed at the M.I.T Media Lab. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Wilmington Recreation offerings

Pops, Mouse Trap and The Full Monty

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The Mousetrap

The most popular murder mystery ever to take the stage! Agatha Christie is possibly the most famous crime writer of all

time, and her gripping mystery The Mousetrap has been running nonstop in London for over fifty years - longer than any other play or musical in history!

Set in the 1940s, this crime drama features everything you expect. Watch for clues around every corner as the intricate plot twists and turns minute by minute. See this show at the newly renovated Stoneham Theatre on Sunday, June 12 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$28 for Adults, \$24 for seniors (62+) and \$14 for Students/children (under 18 or with valid college ID).

The Full Monty

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(L to R) June Wulff of Wakefield, Annette Natali of Tewksbury, and David Daley of Wilmington rehearse for Colonial Chorus Players' musical "Once On This Island," which performs April 22, 23, 30 and May 1 at Reading Memorial High School. Call 781-944-9780 for tickets. (courtesy photo)

Colonial Chorus Players presents "Once on This Island"

Tewksbury & Wilmington residents perform

READING - Bringing much-needed tropical breezes to northern Massachusetts, the Colonial Chorus Players will perform the Broadway musical "Once On This Island" on April 22, 23, 30, and May 1 at Reading Memorial High School. Tewksbury residents Janet McLaughlin and Annette Natali, and Wilmington resident David Daley are featured in this community theater production that is an energetic and heart-felt parable about love and forgiveness.

Created by the Tony Award-winning songwriting team of Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty, "Once On This Island" transports audience members to a Caribbean island where social prejudice divides the land. Presented as a "play within a play," a cast of village storytellers, attempting to calm a frightened young child during a storm, tell the romantic tale of a peasant girl named TiMoune, who saves a rich city boy from death. When he is returned to his people, the gods who rule the island guide TiMoune on a quest to test the strength of her love.

As in older societies where music and dance are integral to cultural expression, this show

uses continuous song and dance to express the story. Based upon the novel, "My Love, My Love," by Rosa Guy, the nearly all-music presentation is infused with powerful solos, energized vocal harmonies, and pulsating dance rhythms. It is at times, playful, powerful, mystic, and mournful, but always with an emotional energy and community spirit that captures the hearts of audience members of all ages.

Performances of "Once On This Island" will be held at the Reading Memorial High School Auditorium on April 22, 23, and 30 at 8:00 p.m., and on May 1 at 2:00 p.m. To reserve tickets, call the Colonial Chorus Players ticket hotline at 781-944-9780 or email: colonialchorus@hotmail.com. Ticket prices are \$15 for adults and \$12 for seniors and students. Group rates are also available.

In line with the community spirit expressed in "Once On This Island," Colonial Chorus Players is kindly requesting that audience members bring a donation for our neighbors at the Reading Food Pantry. There will be collection boxes located in the lobby prior to each performance of the show. Currently, the most needed

pantry items include cereal, canned pasta, ketchup, mustard, relish, mayonnaise, sugar, raisins, crackers, cookies, coffee and tea (regular and decaf), juice, juice boxes, dish detergent, and laundry detergent. Any amount of audience generosity is greatly appreciated.

More information about "Once On This Island" can be found at:

www.colonialchorus.com

About Colonial Chorus Players

The Colonial Chorus Players, a non-profit community theater group, has been presenting musical theater in Reading, Mass. since 1962. The organization strives to create as much of its productions as possible from the minds, hands and talents of its members and volunteers from the community. Membership is open to the entire community and the group welcomes members of all ages, since it produces musicals that include children, teenagers, and adults. Colonial Chorus Players especially welcomes families who are looking for something special to do together. For additional information, visit www.colonialchorus.com

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Ferret adoption group to participate in pet expo at Shriner's Auditorium

Massachusetts Ferret Friends (MaFF) will participate in the Pampered Pet Expo, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sunday, April 23, and from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday, April 24. The expo will be held at Shriner's Auditorium, 99 Fordham Rd., Wilmington, Ma.

Visitors can get acquainted with ferrets and learn about their care and handling. The Expo will include vendor booths with pet supplies, jewelry and health items for pets. "Dancing Dogs" from the World Canine Freestyle Organization will highlight the entertainment along with training exhibitions.

Admission to the Expo is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children under 12 and free for children under 5. The MaFF Foster Network, initiated around October 2004, has found permanent homes for over 40 homeless ferrets. They schedule monthly Adoption Days at various locations in Massachusetts. To see their adoptable ferrets online, visit www.petfinder.com/shelter/Ma282html.

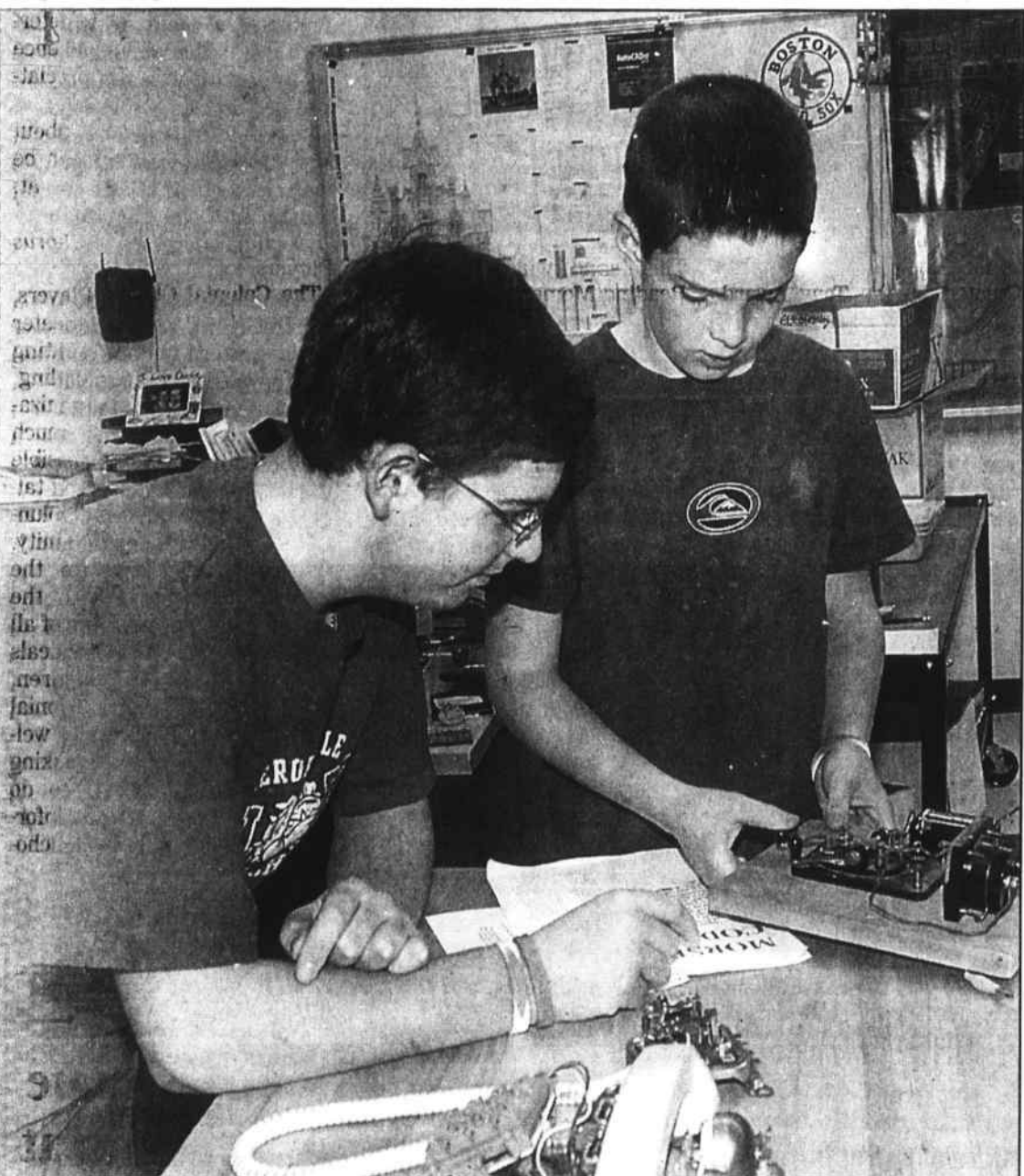
Riley Keogan, 8, of Mrs. O'Donnell's class had the right idea. He raised money for the Leukemia/Lymphoma Society by putting a jar in his Uncle Paul's restaurant, "The Lost Corner" in Reading. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



Mary Giroux, Ann Marie Vittorioso and Marilyn Thackeray purchased tickets to the Dick Scanlon Memorial fundraiser dance from Kay Scanlon. This annual event was held at the Wilmington K of C on Friday, April 8th. This dance has helped fund 2 scholarships a year since 2001 to WHS graduating seniors, one to a girl and one to a boy. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



The family of Dick Scanlon held the 4th annual Dick Scanlon Memorial Scholarship fundraiser at the Wilmington K of C on Friday April 8th. Valerie Vittorioso looks fondly at the many photos on a memory board on display at the hall entrance. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



Cole Carter and Rich Barry learned a little Morse Code during the Wilmington Middle School's annual tech fair held on April 8th. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

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Tewksbury Library Notes

by Elisabeth DesMarais

Internet access to the Wilmington Library

Tewksbury Public Library can help you plan your spring clean-up.

After a long winter, thoughts of wandering into the great outdoors begin to come to mind. The remains of winter need to be cleaned up, the seeds should be planted, or maybe the yard could use an extreme makeover. Before embarking upon these projects, check out the wide selection of gardening and landscaping books at Tewksbury Public Library for how-to basics, fresh ideas, or a potential new career.

Confused about the difference between annuals and perennials (and wondering about those strange biennials)? Gardening 101, Gardening Basics, A Way to Garden, or any book from the Taylor's Guides series can clear up such mysteries. The Encyclopedia of Planting Combinations, Japanese-Inspired Gardens, Lasagna Gardening, and Color for Adventurous Gardeners can add extra flair to any run-of-the-mill garden. The Garden Problem Solver and Big Book of Garden Solutions will help gardeners deal with everything from what to do about pests to the best place to plant finicky shrubs. Specialized growers can browse through a selection of books exclusively on topics like roses, bulbs, water gardens, herbs, and even bonsai. Apartment and condo-dwellers have also not been neglected. Indoor gardening enthusiasts may want to try titles like Pregosin's How Not to Kill Your Houseplants and Lewis's Indoor Gardens.

Books on associated outdoor tasks are also plentiful. Composters can use Nancarrow's The Worm Book and Ondra's Soil and Composting. Organic Pest and Disease Control and Rodale's Pest and Disease Problem Solver will help keep plants looking their best. To entice the right kind of creatures to the backyard, pick up How to Attract Hummingbirds and Butterflies or The Naturalist's Garden. And before accidentally chopping off too much of that precious shrub, study Pruning Made Easy and Ortho's All about Pruning.

If the thought of dealing with the leftover winter debris seems overwhelming, start simple. Landscaping for Dummies, Essential Yard Care and Landscaping Projects, and Landscaping Basics will provide a working knowledge to any novice. Progressing beyond basic cleanup, Sunset Northeastern Landscaping Book, The Backyard Landscaper, and Landscaping

Makes Cents can help create that elusive curb appeal. Wasowski's Landscaping Revolution and Roth's Natural Landscaping are a source of natural alternatives to some traditional landscaping methods. And although no book can promise that lush green lawn found in magazines, Ellis' Safe and Easy Lawn Care and Baker's The Impatient Gardener's Lawn Book can at least get your lawn on its way to glory.

Do you have a TV-worthy yard and dream of taking those talents to a broader field? Tewksbury Public Library also has books on the business aspect of landscaping. Dell's How to Start a Home-Based Landscaping Business can be checked out to provide an overview of the profession. You can also spend time in the library's Business and Career Reference section. This area includes several encyclopedias like the Occupational Outlook Handbook and the Career Information Center that provide basics such as average salary, required training and duties. Although these books cannot be taken home, copies may be made at the library for fifteen cents per page and they are perfect for getting a quick

overview of the business.

Additional online resources include:

www.nationalgardenmonth.org: April is National Gardening Month! Get some project ideas, tips, and even shop at this site.

<http://landscaping.about.com>: Provides product reviews, design ideas, and FAQ's.

www.bhg.com: The popular magazine is also online, complete with landscape plans, growing zone maps, and advice.

Tewksbury Public Library also subscribes to several outdoor-related magazines, including Better Homes and Gardens, Horticulture, and Organic Gardening. All of the gardening books (and more!) mentioned in this article can be found in the nonfiction section of the library upstairs under the general call number 635, and the landscaping books will be in 712.6. The topics are similar and overlap occurs, so browsing both areas will give you the most thorough idea of what we have to offer. If you are interested in any specific titles and would like help finding them, feel free to ask the library staff for assistance. We may not all have green thumbs, but we can definitely point you in the right direction. Happy spring!

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Spring Break's First Stop - Hue - Part I

by Yoni Freeman

Buddhist ethics forbid monks to eat meat. The Superior of a village pagoda was, however, so overwhelmed by his love of dog meat that once in a while he would forget the Lord Buddha's commandments and indulge his vice on the sly. One day, having shut himself up in an inner room, he was enjoying his favorite delicacy when a novice popped his head in and asked: "What are you eating, Master, at this time of day?"

"Oh" - said the Superior casually - "just having a snack of soya pies." The novice said nothing and withdrew. A few moments later, echoes of an uproar came from the courtyard. The superior angrily called the novice in and asked:

"What's the matter? Can't one have a moment of peace for meditation?" "It's nothing, Master" - said the young monk - "just the neighbor's soya pie is fighting with ours."

Spring break for the SATA group here was no ordinary one, that's for sure. We didn't go to Florida or to the Caribbean, or bask in the waters of the Atlantic. For a week, our travels took us to the coastline of Vietnam—the cities of Hue, Hoi An, Qui Nhon and finally Nha Trang. It all began on a flight to Hue, which served as our starting point. At the time we entered the city I could not but notice the presence of many banners focusing on the approaching anniversary of the north's conquest of the south in

1975. Hue, found in the southern part of Vietnam, was once one of the ancient capitals. In Vietnamese history books it is

palaces of the Forbidden Purple City.

Overlooking the structures is a large flag tower, coupled with a big concrete square around it,

foundations, rather than enter them.

In the city itself a river runs - the Perfume River. The next day we boarded a boat, and

levels to it and the view of the river is worthwhile from its base.

Next stop was the Minh Mang's structures, which encompass large lakes on the premises. Reportedly, this second Nguyen emperor had over 30 wives.

Perhaps the most interesting part of being in Hue occurred after the boat trip, when we had free time. Finding there was a Ho Chi Minh museum in town 5 minutes away from our state-run hotel, I decided it was worth a look. I and two friends spent 30 minutes inside. The main display included Ho Chi Minh's desk and chair while he was in school.

As we began to leave I took the initiative of looking around on the first level, where we had entered the museum. I spotted a classroom with some students in it. I thought they were studying Ho Chi Minh thought or something because of our location - but little did I know that it was a class filled with Tourism University students studying English.

sporting itself at the front of the class, I was asked various questions in English by the students, some of whom were repeating themselves.

Questions like my name, nationality, martial status, etc. were tossed around. Additionally they wanted to know my hobbies and what I thought of Vietnam.

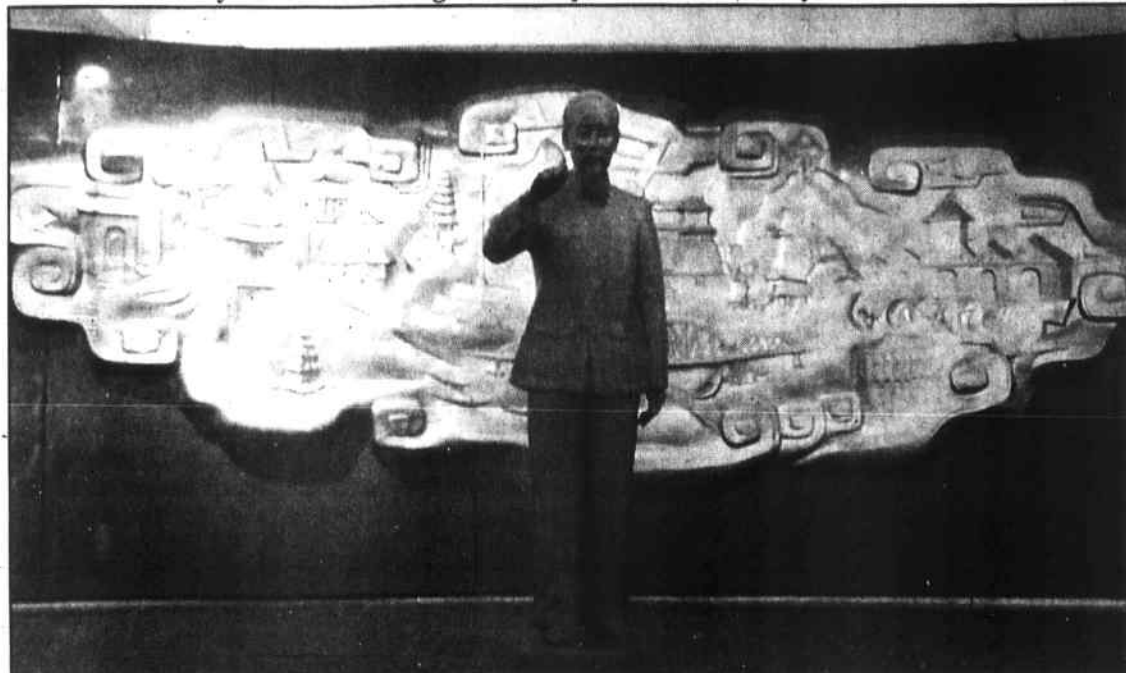
They asked what I liked about Vietnamese girls and I said that they were very patient people. Then when the teacher came around, she said that Vietnamese girls were better care-givers to their husbands than Western women.

Our experience talking with the group which was of our same age was approaching its end after forty minutes. Then a group of students invited us to come along for a walk. After some deliberations, we said "what the heck, let's go." We were soon on our way with mostly the girl classmates of the class (I have been told that guys in Vietnam do not like studying foreign languages).

They first wanted us to take bikes, but we decided to walk, so it was the 25 of us walking down the street with them holding their own bikes. It was an intriguing sight to onlookers. We reached a park and sat on the grass in a circle, while some of the students bought snacks for the group.

At first we just talked, but soon after they started to sing and wanted us to sing some American songs as well. One of us sang "We shall overcome" while I tried to teach them some American children's songs which they wanted to learn. We then played some games too, and our Vietnamese hosts taught us Simon Says - Vietnamese style, which was hard due to the language barrier. By then it was getting late, and they got a photographer to take a picture of us with them. Many pictures were taken, and they wished that we would remember them, even exchanging emails addresses.

Who would have thought that at a museum dedicated to exalting Uncle Ho, a class learning about western culture and language would be taking place. It was this experience with them that has become to me one of the best I have had since coming to Vietnam.



CHAIRMAN HO CHI MINH greets visitors to his museum. "Uncle Ho" as he is affectionately called by the Vietnamese was born in 1890 in central Vietnam. After traveling abroad during the First World War and the 1920's, during which time he became a communist leader, he helped organize the independent government of North Vietnam. He was the leader of North Vietnam from 1945 to his death in 1969. "Ho Chi Minh" [one of many names he used in his lifetime] translates to 'He Who Enlightens'

also significant in the year 1968, during the Tet Offensive, when it was held for over 20 days by the communists.

Another known fact is that 3000 civilians were murdered and buried in mass graves by subsequent northern backed occupying troops. Additionally, Ho Chi Minh, years before, lived here for ten of his schooling years.

The main site of interest in the city is the Citadel, which houses the structures of the former imperial city, including



ENGLISH 101: Yoni and his fellow Americans stand heads above a class of Vietnamese students who happened to meet them in the museum. Yoni is behind the young lady with the "girls" shirt who is one of three flashing the "peace sign".

and a gate to the palace. At one point I thought I was standing at Beijing's Tiananmen Square.

Entering the area inside of the citadel was not as impressive, however. During the countless wars Vietnam experienced, most of the buildings were destroyed, which was why the main thing to do here was to observe the large compound

although fog was present on the banks of the river, we had a clear view of small boats around us, some hauling sand. They "mined" the bottom of the river for this sand, using big

The teacher came out suddenly and asked me whether we would like to spend some time speaking English with these students. We agreed. The moment we stepped into the



MINING SAND: DO NOT ATTEMPT THIS AT HOME. This sampan appears to be fully loaded as water of the Perfume River laps at the gunnels.

shovels manually, and then sold the sand to contractors.

Our first stop was the Thien Mu Pagoda. It was here that a monk burning himself to death came from in 1963 and today his car remains on display. He was protesting the anti-Buddhist policies of the southern government of Vietnam, headed by Diem. The pagoda has seven

classroom there was euphoria like some celebrity had just entered. The teacher asked in English, "Do you want to speak to foreigners?" The class of 38 broke out in cheers and clapping signaling their approval.

We were divided into three groups of tables, each of us going our separate ways. With the hammer and sickle

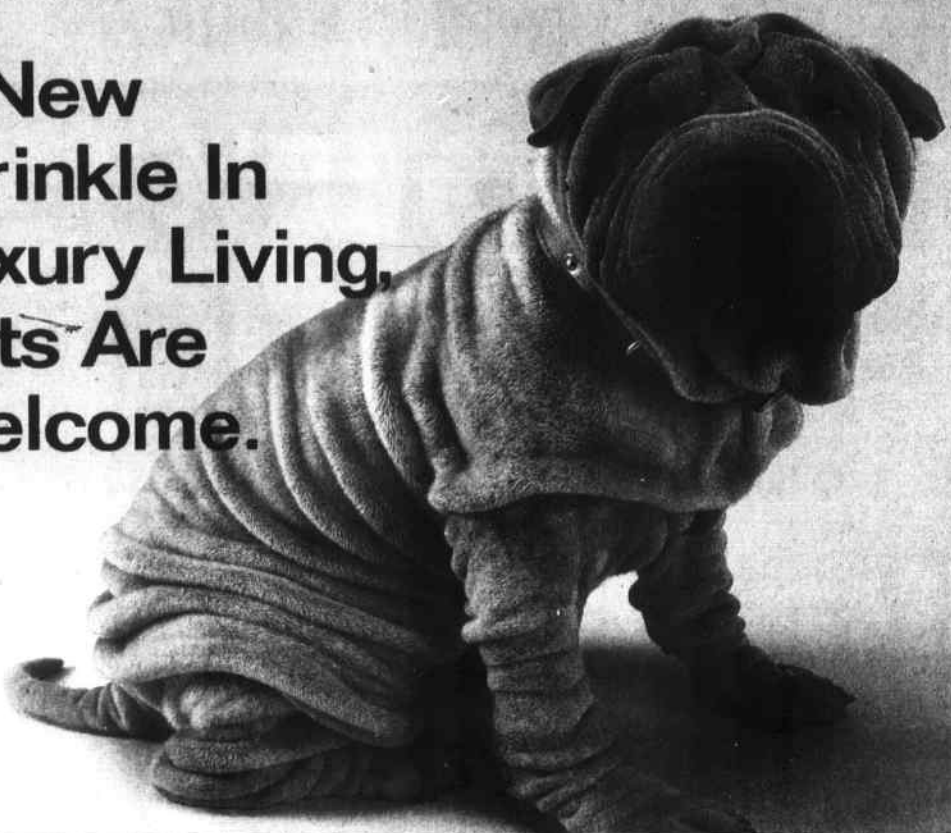
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Sullivan alleges improprieties

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ture, as it currently exists.

"There is a four-foot garage door," Sullivan said on March 28. "I don't know who is responsible for going out and doing site visits in this town to make sure people's plans are compliant with the by-laws, but obviously this wasn't done here."

"I'm telling you right now that you can't enter that building with a vehicle unless you alter the exterior of the building," Sullivan said later on during the same March 28 meeting.

According to Forrest, the garage door is more than four-feet wide. He brought with him to the April 11 meeting photographs of a vehicle, a Subaru Wagon Legacy, just outside the garage door and then inside the building.

"Either Ms. Sullivan doesn't know how to measure or she deliberately misled this board and the people of this town," Forrest told the Board.

Sullivan had contested, during the March 28 meeting, that it was inappropriate for the Planning Board not to have conducted a Site Plan Review of the property since a vehicle would not be able to enter the building without significantly altering the structure. According to Forrest, even if he

planned to widen the doors, it would not constitute a significant alteration of the building, otherwise everyone who changed a door or a window would be subject to Site Plan Review. A two-page memorandum from Planning Director Carole Hamilton sustained Forrest's assertion.

Hamilton's memorandum reads in part, "I do not find alterations or additions of windows and/or doors to be a change substantially altering the structure's relationship to the site. These changes do not eliminate parking spaces, alter the percent of open space or building size nor change the amount of impervious surface on the site."

"I feel Ms. Sullivan owes an apology to the Planning Board, the Director of Planning, the Board of Appeals, the Building Inspector, this board, and the residents for lying," Forrest said. Sullivan did not agree.

"First of all, I will not apologize to you and I will not apologize to anybody," Sullivan said. "I did not say that the Board of Appeals didn't do their job. I questioned why the Planning Board, and Ms. Yurek who is sitting in the audience, waived a site review."

As she looked at the pictures of the vehicle in the building,

Sullivan remarked that she hoped Forrest didn't intend on working on anything bigger than a Subaru. She then suggested the Board take a site visit to the property to verify whether it was compliant or not. She also suggested turning the matter over to Town Counsel for an impartial opinion.

"I am not a liar; I don't have the reputation of that, though some people do," Sullivan said. "I do think certain favors were done and certain heads were turned certain ways to let this happen."

Sullivan dismissed the idea that this was some sort of personal vendetta against Forrest as a ridiculous notion.

"When you had a legitimate business on Lowell Street, I voted for your license," Sullivan said. "If this was a vendetta, I wouldn't have voted for it."

When the Board voted on Sullivan's motion for a site visit, it appeared to fail for lack of majority with only Sullivan and Selectman Raymond Lepore voting in the affirmative. Approximately three to four seconds after McCoy called for the vote, and as McCoy began to announce the vote of two, however, Selectman Frank West spoke up and indicated his desire to perform a site visit.

The motion passed by a vote of 3 to 2 to perform a site visit.

"If the Board comes down and counts 29 spots I will rip up my Class II license," Forrest said. "If there are more than 29 I'd like to Ms. Sullivan to resign."

"I doubt it," Sullivan responded. "Nice try."

Planning Board Chairman Michael Sorrentino entered the meeting and, when recognized by Chairman McCoy, wanted to know whether Sullivan was questioning his integrity.

"I'm asking you directly," Sorrentino said, "are you questioning my integrity?"

Sullivan stated that she was not, but simply had questions about the waiving of the site visit.

"We have an outstanding Planning Board that is the envy of many communities," Sorrentino said. "We have an architect, we have an engineer, we have an administrator, and we have a lawyer on the Planning Board. I am highly offended that you would question my integrity."

Lepore made a motion for Town Counsel to review the matter, but the motion failed 3 to 2.

The Board tentatively scheduled a site visit, depending on Forrest's schedule, for Thursday, April 14.

Justin O'Neil Day

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had."

This year, the Walk/Run will begin at 1:15 p.m. with registration taking place at 12:15. There will be a modest \$15 registration fee for adults. There will be no fee for participating children 12 years old or younger.

The race, which is not intended as a competition, but rather a spirited walk will begin at the Wilmington High School tennis courts. Last year's three-mile course wound around Wildwood Street, Federal Street, and Middlesex Avenue before finally leaving walkers and runners right back on the Common.

Again this year, the very popular Heenan will provide DJ services. Participants will enjoy music, raffles, food, and more...

The "more" is left to speculation at this early date, but face painting, moonwalks, and other family-friendly activities littered the Common all day.

Raffle items for this year are still being finalized and not ready for publication, but last year's raffles included Red Sox tickets, a weekend at the Marriott Hotel and a number of other prizes from local businesses.

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Coyote attack

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moved to cut the coyote off and it began pacing back and forth exhibiting a desire to get into the garage.

"There was no way I was going to let it get into the house," Louis said. "My kids have to know that the house will always be a safe place."

He began shouting and raised his arms up over his head to intimidate the animal, but it wasn't effective. The coyote charged at him twice, biting him on the lower right leg.

According to Louis, Wilmington Police were on the scene within seconds of the call, which came in at approximately 10:00 a.m., but the coyote had fled by then. Fire Department Emergency crews were also on scene almost immediately and began to treat Louis and Tia's bites.

Louis sustained several puncture wounds, as did Tia. Tia also sustained a severe tear in her lower leg. They were both rushed to Winchester Hospital for treatment.

"The police and fire departments were great," Louis said. "They scoured the woods looking for the animal and stayed around to make sure that my wife and son felt safe."

In addition to the search of the woods and surrounding properties, two Wilmington police officers went door-to-door alerting neighbors to the potential danger. The incident was also reported to the Department of Fisheries, Wildlife & Environmental Law Enforcement.

Environmental Police Officer John Callan searched the area and found no such animal, but felt that the

area showed evidence of being inhabited by wildlife that would match the Martignettis' description.

Louis, a Patrolman with the Wilmington Police Department, believes that one of two scenarios must be true.

"It's either rabid or it has a den nearby; it should be one or the other," Louis said. "Tia is small, she weighs about 28-pounds, but that is still much too big for a coyote to go for. And it wasn't intimidated by me at all."

Under the assumption that the animal may very well be rabid, Louis and Tia have begun treatment. Louis received eight of the extremely painful shots and his daughter received four. They will both receive four more treatments before the ordeal is done.

Tia also walked away from the incident with a number of stitch-

es. Normally, open wounds caused by animal bites are left open to allow for weeping.

"It was just too big, they had to close it up somewhat," Louis said.

Wilmington Police have issued a telephone broadcast to the entire area with a warning of the potential danger. Residents are urged to call immediately if sighting the animal.

Castle Drive is located off of Burlington Avenue (Route 62) between Deming Way and Stonehedge Drive.

Walk the Middlesex Canal

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of the "Ox Bow," left by ropes used to the canal boats. There is also a quarry nearby, dug for the building of the canal.

That section will be the focus of a "canal walk" on Saturday, April 16, beginning at 1:30 p.m., sponsored by the Middlesex Canal Association. The Town Park, located on Main Street (Route 38), will be the starting point.

In Colonial times and after the Revolutionary War, roads were primitive. While there were turnpikes in some areas, mudholes and ledge were prevalent, making travel and commerce quite difficult. Most shipping took place by water.

Every New England town had its grist mills and its lumber mills, and hydro energy was well-understood. With the Revolutionary War behind them, a group of Boston businessmen eyed the power of the Merrimack River.

Besides engineering the turbines and building the mills, there was the matter of transportation — how to get the goods to market. And thus was hatched the Middlesex Canal, and the city of Lowell.

Canals had been built in England, but nothing of the sort had ever been done in America. The canal was not simply a ditch — it was a water-filled continuous waterway, an engineering marvel.

One consideration was that the northern end would be some 100 feet higher than the Boston confluence. Therefore the construction began at the water source, i.e. the Concord River in North Billerica. The construction was done in segments, and each section would be flooded as it was finished.

The canal actually ran as far north as Concord, New Hampshire and the canal used parts of the Merrimack River. Short side canals were built to carry the boats around waterfalls. The southern end ran through Sullivan Square in Charlestown, and connected to Long Wharf in Boston. Worthy

of note is the name of the street near Boston's North Station: Canal Street.

The canal was a man-made channel, eight to ten feet deep, lined with clay. Stream crossings were carried via aqueducts. A look at the Shawsheen Aqueduct indicates that the canal was about 15 feet above the level of the Shawsheen River.

The stone piers supported a log trough, which was lined with clay.

The canal was not a speedway — canal boats were pulled by horses. Speed kept in check, lest the boats damage the clay lining of the canal.

A trip from Boston to Lowell would take about eight hours and would probably involve an overnight stop at a boarding house. One such house remains in Wilmington. Known as the Canal House, it stands next to Shawsheen Avenue at the old railroad bridge and is the home of William and Ruth Gronemeyer. Her parents bought the house in 1954. A portion of the original Canal House stands across the street, having been cut and moved.

One passenger on the canal

was the one and only Henry David Thoreau of Concord, who wrote of his journey.

Along the course of the canal, there were locks to raise or lower the boats. One such lock was near the Canal House, and remnants of it were visible for many years.

The last lock keeper in Wilmington was Daniel Carter. He died in 1909.

There is a "reconstructed" portion of the canal in Wilmington, which is not at all accurate, although it does lie in the course of the old canal. This canal section, which lies adjacent to the Route 129 railroad bridge, was rebuilt by the Massachusetts Department of Public Works about 30 years ago. It is lined with granite, as opposed to the more authentic clay. Regrettably, there is no parking anywhere near the rebuilt section, making it rather inconvenient for potential viewers.

The Middlesex Canal Association has a museum in the Faulkner Mill at 71 Faulkner St. in North Billerica. It is open weekends from noon to 4:00 p.m.

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Remains of missing Tewksbury woman discovered

Rumors of an arrest made at Tewksbury State Hospital in relation to the case unfounded

By **STEPHEN BJORK**

TEWKSBURY - A tragic story drew to a tragic conclusion with Monday's discovery of the skeletal remains of Christina Luncford. Her family has been searching for her since she first went missing in August of 2004 at the age of 20.

Christina's remains were found on Saturday, April 9, 2005 in a wooded area of Tyngsborough not far from Greater Lowell Technical High School.

According to Middlesex District Attorney Martha Coakley's office, two people walking in the woods came across what they suspected to be human remains and immediately contacted Tyngsborough Police.

"Tyngsborough Police contacted State Police assigned to the Middlesex District Attorney's Office, and together they initiated an investigation into the identity of the individual and the circumstances of the death," a statement from Coakley reads.

Through dental records, a forensic dentist contracted by the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner positively identified the remains as that of Christina Luncford.

Christina's remains were found clothed and the circumstances surrounding her death have not yet been determined, but the case is currently being

handled as a homicide.

Rumors of an arrest made on Wednesday, April 13, 2005 in connection with the case were determined to be unfounded.

State Police did arrest an acquaintance of Christina's at Tewksbury State Hospital following an interview, but on unrelated charges.

"This individual was cooperating and was willing to speak with officers about the Luncford case," Emily Lagrassa of the Middlesex District Attorney's Office said on Wednesday.

Christina's older sister, Janelle, was the last member of the Luncford family to have seen Christina before her August 4th disappearance. Michelle Luncford, Christina's mother last saw her daughter on July 31 when Christina visited the family home in Tewksbury for dinner. She had just recently moved into an apartment in Nashua, New Hampshire and was excited about her recent move.

Her disappearance was highlighted in the October 6, 2004 edition of the Town Crier. It proved somewhat difficult for the family to get help in their search since Christina was 20 years old at the time of the disappearance and, as an adult, had the right to disappear if she chose.

Christina lived with a learning disability and suffered from Attention Deficit Disorder,

which her mother felt, left her susceptible to anyone with characteristics that may well have led to her death.



Christina's family will celebrate her life at Tewksbury United Methodist Church on Thursday, April 14.
(Maureen Lamoureux photo)

nefarious intentions. She was described, by her mother, as very trusting and naive, char-

"She's still very much a little girl," Michelle told the Town Crier in October.

The discovery of Christina's remains has led to a mourning phase for the Luncfords, but it has also mercifully released them from the torment of not knowing what had become of their beloved family member.

"I never knew if she was being held somewhere against her will, possibly being hurt and suffering," Michelle said this week. "It is a relief to know that they think she died back in August."

A service will be held at Tewksbury's United Methodist Church on Thursday, April 21, 2005 at 4:00 p.m.

"This will not be a funeral, it will be a celebration of her life. I don't want to think of her as dead, I want to think of her as alive and causing trouble somewhere," Michelle said recalling her daughter's fun filled spirit. "Everyone will be invited back to the house afterwards."

Michelle now remains hopeful that authorities will be able to determine cause of death and will be successful in unraveling the rest of the story. She fears, however, that the advanced state of her daughter's decomposition may make such discovery particularly difficult.

"There is so very little to go on to know how or why this happened," Michelle said. "If anyone can remember anything that happened back in August, even if it didn't seem important at the time, it may help."

Anyone with information

regarding Christina's disappearance and/or death is asked to contact either the Tyngsborough Police at 978-649-7504, Nashua Police at 603-594-3500, or State Police assigned to the Middlesex District Attorney's Office at 617-679-6600.

Christina was last seen in Nashua in early August of 2004 and was reported missing to Nashua Police shortly thereafter. Christina would have turned 21 years old on August 12, 2004.

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Ballot rundown

Wilmington elections this Saturday

By **STEPHEN BJORK**

WILMINGTON - Voters will have the opportunity to take to the polls this weekend to determine the shape of local government for the next three to five years.

Only three offices appear on the ballot in this year's Annual Town Election and two of those offices are uncontested races.

The Board of Selectmen is the sole contest this year. Two seats, each for a term of three years, are up for grabs, but there are three candidates vying for a spot.

Raymond Lepore is running as an incumbent looking to extend his service on the Board to a second term.

Michael McCoy, the senior member of the Board with nearly twenty years of service, is also running for re-election as he wraps up his second consecutive year as the Board's Chairman.

Ann Yurek, long-time member of Wilmington's Planning Board and Finance Committee, is challenging for one of the two seats currently being defended.

The School Committee also has two three-year seats to fill in the upcoming election, but only two candidates are seeking election. Theresa Buonopane and Marilyn Lamson, both incumbents, will appear on the ballot.

Two five-year seats on Wilmington's Housing Authority will be determined in the election. Dorothy Butler and Ruth Reed are in place for that uncontested race.

It was also the Board of Selectmen that represented Wilmington's only contest in last year's election, which experienced a dismal 23 percent voter turnout with a mere 3,279 of the town's 14,478 registered voters making it out to the polls.

Polls will open at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday and will remain open until 8:00 p.m.



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Ferreira goes from Curry College to ECHL

The leap to professional hockey

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

If you want evidence that dreams actually do come true you need look no further than Wilmington's own Chet Ferreira. The Wilmington High and Curry College graduate (in May) played his first professional hockey game on April 6 as a defenseman for the San Diego Gulls of the East Coast Hockey League, shortly after finishing his season at Curry which included a trip to the Division 3 national tournament.

Simply getting a shot at playing professional hockey would be enough of a dream come true for a kid who grew up in Charlestown and moved to Wilmington after his sophomore year in high school as Ferreira did, but to make the experience completely surreal, Ferreira also scored a goal in his first game.

Even Ferreira himself had a hard time believing what was happening at the moment of his big goal.

"I can't even describe it. It was just unreal," Ferreira said. "The fans just went nuts, and I didn't know how to react. I went to the bench and the coaches and players were congratulating me. It was a great feeling."

Merely playing with the Gulls was quite the accomplishment for Ferreira considering the circumstances that led him to the team. An aunt of his is a friend of the Gulls owner and through her the Gulls had heard of Ferreira through the press clipping of his exploits at Curry where he retired as the all time leading scorer among defensemen with 28 goals and 79 assists for 107 points.

"I talked to them and they asked me to come and practice with them and skate in the pre-skate before a game, but then after the pre-skate they asked me to sign a contract for the rest of the season," Ferreira said. "I ended up playing the last few games of the season with them."

As much as Ferreira loved playing for the Gulls the head coach of the team Martin St. Amour was equally pleased to

have him. He did not get to know Ferreira for long, but he was left with a lasting impression.

"He is a great young man. He played with a lot of grit and enthusiasm," St. Amour said. "We had a lot of kids this year who loved playing hockey but not enough of them who had the enthusiasm and determination that he had."

Unfortunately the Gulls missed out on the ECHL playoffs so Ferreira is back home in Wilmington with his family, including his parents Chet sr. and Diane. Not that Ferreira considers being home unfortunate. His family is his greatest source of support and Ferreira is grateful for all his parents did for him as a youngster growing up playing youth hockey and all the way up through his career at Wilmington High and Curry.

"My parents have been a really big help to me. I would not be where I am today without them getting up for those 5:00 am practices and buying me the equipment that I needed," Ferreira said. "My brother and my two sisters were always big supporters as well."

That support is one reason why Ferreira gave the puck from his first goal to his parents. The memento will be proudly displayed in a frame in the Ferreira household along with the ticket stubs from the final three games of the season all of which were attended by numerous relatives.

"They actually lied to me and told me they wouldn't be able to make it, but they surprised me and showed up for the first game, so it was really great to see them there," Ferreira said. "And then more family came in for the other games. We ended up having something like 15 family members there."

The first goal is obviously the memory that will stand out to Ferreira and his family, but there was so much more to the experience than just that goal. Ferreira also assisted on a goal in the Gulls season finale, but more than the points he scored Ferreira will remember the thrill of playing in front of throngs of fans including near-

ly 11,000 in that final game.

"The experience was something I will never forget, I can tell you that. The fans are unreal. They love their sport and they love their team," Ferreira said. "Coming from Curry where even with national tournament games there were about 1,200 fans to this where there are 11,000 was incredible."

Ferreira is no stranger to playing in big games, having played in the North Sectional finals for Wilmington High in his senior season before playing prep hockey in Winchendon and junior hockey with the Valley Junior Warriors.

But still all that experience in big games against quality competition could not adequately prepare him for the level of play he saw in his three games as a professional.

"This level is totally different than college. Everyone knows how to play and everyone knows the game," Ferreira said. "The speed of the game is so much quicker than college. You have to know what you are doing and keep your head up."

Ferreira seems to know enough of what he is doing to have earned himself another shot with the Gulls next season. While coach St. Amour isn't about to reveal secrets about his team's future plans, he acknowledges that Ferreira opened enough eyes to be considered for the future by the Gulls.

"We will meet as a staff in the next few days to talk about our players, but if he plays the way played for us in his few games we can certainly justify signing him again," St Amour said.

Whatever happens in the future for Ferreira he knows he has already accomplished quite a lot in his young life. Between his great career at Wilmington High to his record breaking career at Curry, he has exceeded all expectations.

"I am proud of being able to play pro hockey about two weeks after finishing my college career," Ferreira said. "Not a lot of people can say that they played pro hockey while they were still in college."



Wilmington resident Chet Ferreira went from playing Division 3 collegiate hockey at Curry College, to playing four games with the San Diego Gulls of the Eastern Conference Hockey League. Ferreira, the all-time leading point-getter blue liner at Curry College and former outstanding defenseman for the WHS hockey team, scored two goals in the four games played this past week. Here's Ferreira in action, above and below, for the Gulls.

(photos courtesy of the San Diego Gulls)

New track is top notch

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Despite it being a little hectic and a little long, there were nothing but smiles and thanks yours last Wednesday afternoon.

For the first time in three years, the Wilmington High boys and girls track teams hosted a meet. This one was more difficult than usual as two teams, Hamilton-Wenham and Lynnfield came in for a tri-meet. The Wildcat boys ended

up sweeping winning both meets while the girls lost both by pretty close margins. But the end results have nothing to do with what has transpired at WHS - today there's a gorgeous complex centered around the football field thanks to many people.

Behind the likes of Department of Public Works' Don Onusseit and the awarded firm of Cape and Island Tennis and Track (CITT), the high school athletes, and their par-

ents no longer have to travel 800 miles across the state to find Pentucket Regional or Ipswich High School. That's because the top notch facility is now more than suitable to host meets.

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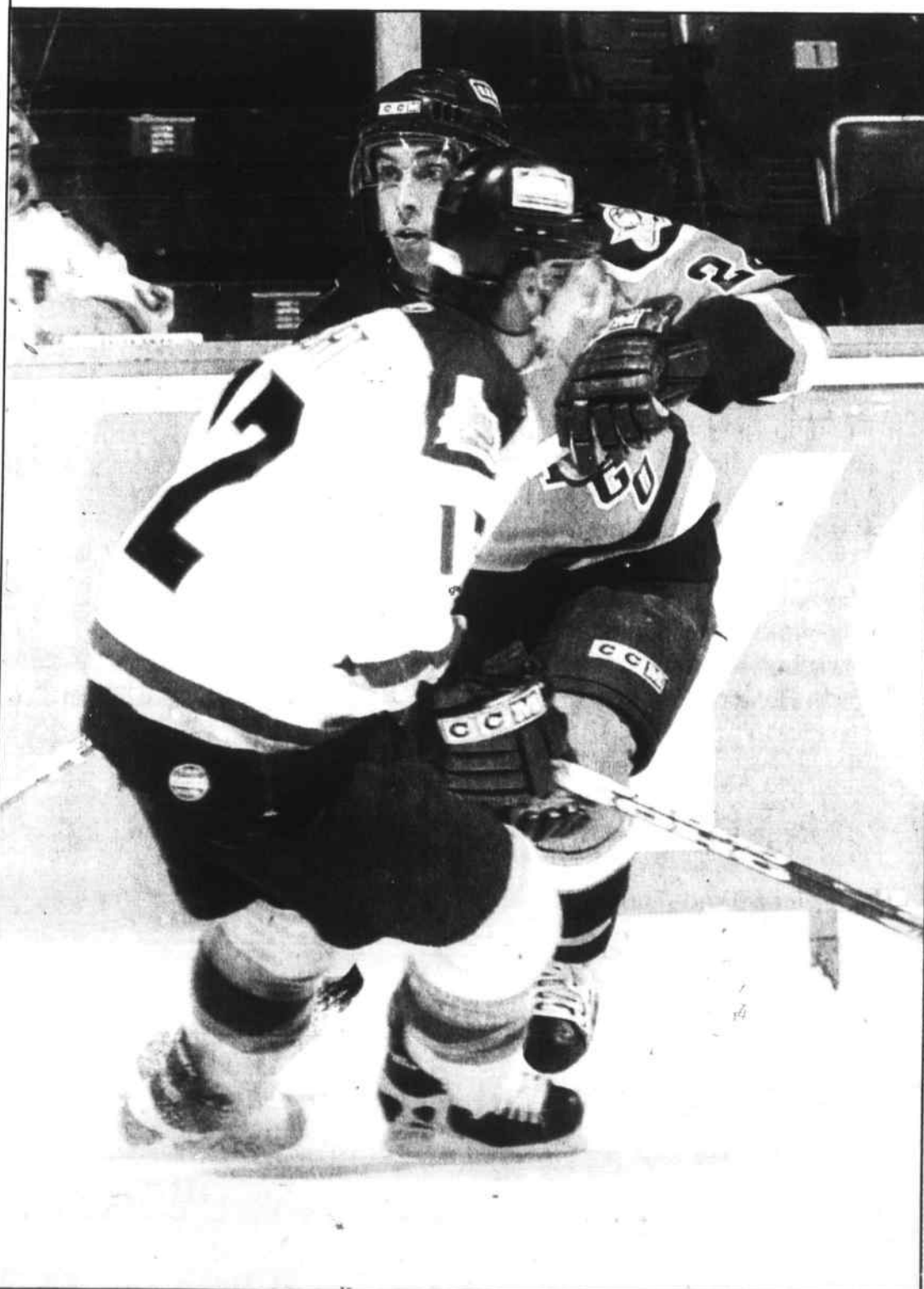
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Corcoran named an All-Scholastic

Senior Jen Corcoran was named as the lone Wilmington High School athlete during the winter season to the Boston Globe All-Scholastic girls hockey team. Corcoran was a four-time Cape North League All-Star, who help guide the Wildcats to consecutive league titles in her junior and senior seasons.

Congratulations goes out to Corcoran for her recognition and for her outstanding career.



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The second doubles team of Danielle Miles and Taylor Kindred also gave Welch and the

The freshmen combination of Miles and Kindred also played well once again before dropping a 6-4, 7-5 decision to Laurie Marino and Molly Salt. Welch is looking for continued improvement from

"We seem to be having a problem with getting off to slow starts," Welch said. "That makes it tough to recover. But that should be something we are able to correct as we gain more experience."

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<u>Wilmington High Sports</u>				
Thurs	April 14	V Boys Tennis	vs Lynnfield	3:30 PM
Thurs	April 14	V Girls Tennis	at Lynnfield	3:30 PM
Thurs	April 14	B/G Track	at Amesbury	3:30 PM
Fri	April 15	V/JV Softball	at Tewksbury	3:30 PM
Fri	April 15	Fr Baseball/Softball	vs Reading	3:45 PM
Sat	April 16	V/JV Baseball	vs Pentucket	10:00 AM
Mon	April 18	V/JV Softball	at Methuen	11:00 AM
Tues	April 19	V/JV Baseball	vs Masconomet	10:00 AM
Tues	April 19	Fr Baseball/Softball	vs Tewksbury	10:00 AM
Wed	April 19	Fr Baseball/Softball	at North Reading	10:00 AM
Wed	April 19	V/JV Softball	at North Reading	11:00 AM

Thurs	April 14	Fr Baseball	at Assabet Valley	3:30 PM
Thurs	April 14	V Softball	at North Shore	3:30 PM
Thurs	April 14	JV Softball	vs North Shore	3:30 PM
Thurs	April 14	Co-Ed Track	at Tyngsboro	3:30 PM
Thurs	April 14	Co-Ed Tennis	vs Gr. Lawrence	3:30 PM
Thurs	April 14	V Baseball	vs Whittier Tech	3:45 PM
Thurs	April 14	JV Baseball	at Whittier Tech	3:45 PM
Thurs	April 14	V Boys Lacrosse	at South Shore	4:00 PM
Fri	April 15	Fr Softball	vs St. Mary's	3:30 PM
Fri	April 15	V Baseball	at Gr. Lawrence	3:45 PM
Fri	April 15	JV Baseball	vs Gr. Lawrence	3:45 PM
Sat	April 16	Fr Baseball	vs North Shore	11:00 AM
Mon	April 18	Fr Baseball	at Bishop Fenwick	11:00 AM
Mon	April 18	V Softball	at PMA	3:00 PM
Tues	April 19	V Baseball	at Northeast	10:00 AM
Tues	April 19	JV Baseball	vs Northeast	10:00 AM
Tues	April 19	JV Softball	at PMA	10:15 AM
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Wilmington High junior Sean Murphy slides back to first base on attempted pick-off during Saturday morning's season and home opening loss to Newburyport at Dick Scanlon Memorial Field. (JoeBrownphotos.com)

Baseball team clipped in opener

By JOHN CLEMENO
Sports Correspondent

The Wilmington High School baseball team kicked off its season on Saturday with an 8-3 loss to the Newburyport Clippers at Dick Scanlon Memorial Field.

The Clippers, last season's Cape Ann League Large champion, posted a five-run fourth inning that proved too much to overcome. Despite the loss, there were enough positive signs to indicate the Wildcats could be a competitive team in the CAL this season.

"I prefer a schedule like this just to get the kids tested and see what they can do against them," said Wildcats' head coach Aldo Caira, referring to starting the season against a league powerhouse. "They know that they played with the best team. And I think if we eliminate that one five-run inning, it's a different ball game. We can play with this team."

With the wind blowing in, it figured to be a pitching duel between Wilmington's Bobby Sinopoli and Newburyport's Joe Pace. And, aside from that one big inning, that's exactly what we got.

Pace, a five-game winner last season as a sophomore, was touched for nine hits (all singles) and three early runs by the 'Cats, but recovered nicely and struck out 13 batters while walking only one en route to a complete game.

"Pace is a great pitcher," said Caira. "He's got a nice fastball that coaches like me die for. You have to give him credit. The kid can hit, too."

Indeed, Pace stroked two base hits, knocked in two runs and walked as Newburyport's lead-off hitter.

Caira cited the effort of the right-handed Sinopoli, who faced the minimum of 12 hitters in four of his 6 1/3 innings pitched. The senior co-captain looked like he was done after a 37-pitch fourth inning, but retired the next six batters before getting pulled in the seventh after a two-run single made the score 8-3. He gave up all eight runs (five earned) on nine hits and four walks while striking out five.

"Bobby pitched really well today," said Caira. "He threw a lot of pitches, well over a hundred. I didn't think he was going to be able to do that. But he kept having these one-two-three innings thrown in there. We went inning-by-inning and he wanted to try to finish it up in the seventh, so I gave him a shot."

The Wildcats used their speed to score first. Matt Marden (2-for-4, two runs, two steals) opened the second inning with a single, and then stole second base. After two strikeouts, Eric Legro singled him in to give Wilmington a 1-0 lead.

"We're going to have to play a lot of small ball this year to score runs," said Caira. "Our overall team speed is above average and I'm gonna have to take advantage of that when we're on base."

After the Clippers tied the game in the top of the third, the Wildcats retook the lead in the bottom of the inning.

Two singles and a fielder's choice left runners on first and third with one out and Marden up. He hit a grounder that forced Joe Mayo at second, but the double-play throw went by Garret Boyd at first, allowing

Tom Miele to score. Marden then stole his second base of the game and was knocked in by Jeff Youngclaus to give Wilmington a 3-1 after three innings.

"We're not gonna hit a lot of home runs. We need to steal a base here and get a couple of hits there -- that's how we scored our runs today," said Caira. "I didn't think we'd strike out as much as we did, but Pace is a great pitcher. But we did make contact, though. And we had our fair share of hits. And that's what this team is gonna have to do."

The Clippers pushed across five runs on four hits, two walks, one error and one unfortunate deflection to take control of the game for good.

Newburyport had tied the game and had runners on first and second with one out. Boyd's grounder deflected off Sinopoli's glove and past Miele at second base. A potential double-play ball had turned into an RBI single.

"If we get a little luck on that ball that was hit up the middle -- the one that Bobby knocked down and misdirected -- if we make that play we get out of that inning," said Caira.

Wilmington's last real shot at scoring came in the bottom of the fourth. Alex Montalto, who rapped his second single of the game to lead off, advanced to third on two wild pitches. However, Pace got serious and struck out Sean Murphy look-

ing and Joe Mayo swinging.

After that, the right-hander shut the door on the Wildcats, allowing one more hit and striking out another five batters over the final three innings.

"I think it's a good game to build on. I think we'll be okay," said Caira, whose team played just two of their seven scheduled scrimmages this spring because of poor weather and field conditions. "I'm going to need to tweak the batting order just a little bit, I think. And we still need to find a third starter. This is not an excuse, but you hate to use the first game of the regular season as a scrimmage. This was only the third time the kids have been in a game situation."

On Tuesday, the 'Cats fell to North Andover, 7-2, on the road. North Andover had leads of 3-0 and 4-1 after the second and third innings before breaking it open with three runs in the home half of the fourth inning. Joe Mayo was the losing pitcher as he tossed a complete game giving up 7 earned runs on 11 hits, while walking two and striking out five. Wilmington managed just five hits, two by Sean Murphy.

The Wildcats return for a three-game home stand beginning Thursday against Triton at 3:45 followed by Pentucket on Saturday and Masconomet on Tuesday.

Softball team dropped by Amesbury, 3-0

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

The early season questions about pitching seemed to be answered on Monday afternoon for the Wilmington High softball team. But now the question is the bats.

Three-time Cape Ann League Player of the Year Ashley Waters tossed a complete game, no-hitter in Amesbury's 3-0 win over Wilmington held at April Field in the season opener. Last Thursday's contest against Tewksbury was rescheduled, most likely for May 5th.

Waters didn't overpower the 'Cats but managed to change speeds and have pretty good command of her pitches. Wilmington had several runners on base with walks, but couldn't convert any of them back to home plate despite several successful bunts.

"You still have to hit to win," said head coach Bob Surran. "But they are tough. They are a good club. Ashley is the three-time league MVP so obviously she's good. She fields her position very well. We bunted a few times and she threw out several runners at second base. Unless the ball goes right to the third baseman, almost 100 percent of the time you bunt it successfully and the play goes to first."

"We knew they were one of

the best teams in the entire state and after the game was over I haven't changed my mind on that."

Wilmington had a lot of adjusting to do in the game. Stephanie Steeves is limited with throwing the ball with a sore shoulder so Surran moved the catcher to left field. That forced him to move third baseman Julie Martell behind the plate, and left fielder Brittany Collins to third.

"I just wanted to limit the throws for Stephanie," said Surran. "She can still throw but her shoulder's sore. So playing left field she would only have to make a couple of throws, as to a lot being the catcher. Brittany played a great third base. She has good speed. Julie has looked tremendous at third base, so once Stephanie is back feeling strong, we'll put Julie back at third."

Besides the play of newcomer Collins, Surran said that pitchers Cathy Sheerin and Ashleigh Joyce deserve a lot of credit. They split the duties with Sheerin going the first five innings giving up three runs on two hits and two walks, while striking out six. Joyce tossed two scoreless innings in relief.

"I wanted both of them to get some work to get the bugs out," said Surran. "We were already down 3-0 when I made the

change but I wanted both of them to pitch in the first game to get the nerves out and to get their feet wet, especially in a big game against a team like Amesbury. Cathy I thought pitched exceptional. Add Ashleigh did a good job. I think we'll be fine there. I was really pleased with the way our pitchers did."

Amesbury scored all three of its runs on two long hits to the outfield. Both hits were mis-played but either way Surran said both would have been tough catches.

Wilmington did have several chances to score.

"We had two on in the first inning, and then in the seventh inning we had two on, but we had a runner get picked off second base and had that no happened we would have had the bases loaded," said Surran. "I thought we played well. Now we just have to work on some things."

The 'Cats face Tewksbury on the road on Friday, as well as traveling to Methuen for a non-league game Monday morning beginning at 11:00.

"We have two more very good teams ahead with Tewksbury and Methuen," said Surran. "The first three games of our schedule is very tough."



Wilmington High senior second baseman Caitlin Foley makes a play and throws the ball to first for a put out during Monday afternoon's 3-0 loss to Amesbury held at April Field.

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WHS Boys Tennis

Wildcats enjoy late sting over North Reading

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

The Wilmington High boys tennis team is looking to improve on last year's 5-11 record this season and based on their most recent match against North Reading there appears to be good reason to believe they will do just that.

The Wildcats beat the Hornets in thrilling fashion, by a score of 3-2, winning the final match of the day in first doubles in a tiebreaker. Wilmington coach Matt Hackett was thrilled to see his team come up with such a big victory so early in the season.

"It was a nice win to get, and it's good to get that first win early in the season for a couple of reasons," Hackett said.

"First, you want to get that first win out of the way as early as possible, and second you don't want to let too many go by that you really feel you have a chance to win."

The Wildcats victory was capped when the first doubles combination of Dan Kline and Kyle Borsetti downed the Hornets Mark Callinan and Charlie Conway by a score of 6-7 (6-8), 6-1, 7-6 (7-5). It was after 7:30 at night when the final point was tallied, but it was well worth the wait for participants and their teammates.

"That was awesome. It was very suspenseful throughout and the thing that impressed me the most is that they did not get down after losing the tiebreaker in the first set," Hackett said. "We were joking

during the third set that we had not had much luck in tiebreakers, but Kyle said they were going to change that and they did."

The second doubles combination of Ryan Trulli and Jason Evans also came up with a big comeback win for the Wildcats, pulling out a 3-6, 7-6 (7-5), 6-3 victory over North Reading's Greg Russo and Alex Levitin.

"I had them in there to get them some experience. It was the first varsity match for both of them which makes what they did even more impressive," Hackett said. "They seemed a little down after the first set, but they really took the momentum with the second set tiebreaker."

The Wildcats other victory came in third singles where

Mike Auciello defeated North Reading's Colin Campbell by a score of 4-6, 6-1, 7-5.

"The thing that impressed me most was that this match was the total opposite of his previous match against Newburyport," Hackett said. "He played so well in the first set, but didn't get the win, but then he came back strong in the second. He has never played tennis before so this is really his first exposure."

First singles Brian Garrett, (7-6 (7-5), 2-6, 6-1) and second singles Mike Haepers (6-0, 1-6, 7-5) both played well in defeat for the Wildcats.

In the Wildcats previous match against Newburyport they suffered a tough 3-2 loss, this time losing the final match of the day to cost them a poten-

tial victory. Despite the loss the Wildcats doubles team once again came away with a pair of big victories.

Kline and Zach Church were the combination in first doubles this time and they pulled out a win by a score of 4-6, 6-2, 6-3, while the second doubles combination of Borsetti and Rich Barry earned a 4-6, 6-4, 6-2 victory.

Hackett was very impressed with his first doubles combination.

"It was their first time playing together and it was a great three setter," Hackett said. "Kline is a great doubles player and Zach complements him very well. He always seems to find himself in the right position."

The second doubles team

earned equal praise from their coach.

"Kyle and Rich won because of the way they played at the net which is just what I want to see from them," Hackett said. "They are really starting to pay attention to their positioning and it has paid off for them."

Wilmington resumes play this week with two home matches, including one this past Wednesday afternoon when this paper was being printed against Rockport.

On Thursday, the 'Cats will host Lynnfield beginning at 3:30. Thereafter they will break from play until returning on Monday, April 25th against Newburyport on the road.

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In addition to the track surface itself, Harrison also figured in other various expenses and changes. He had new pole vault pits put in, while he ordered 30 new hurdles for this year, with 30 more coming next year. In addition the long jump and triple jump have been separated and will no longer share a runway, and the throwing events such as the javelin and shot put have been moved to the scoreboard end of the field.

"We needed the new pole vault pits in case of injury," said Harrison. "You need the correct equipment. Bob (Cripps, the boys head coach) was piecing together hurdles - now we have the 30 new ones for this year and the 30 new ones for next year." Harrison added that there will be an added portable cage for the discus.

Cripps has been around for over 30 years, and it's been at least 15 years since any kind of work has been done on the track before CIT's renovation. The smile never left his face all day.

"The track is beautiful," he said. "It makes a difference for a high school meet. You can more people. This is the first time in my memory where we've had the superintendent, the principal, the athletic director and the press all here for a meet. That's not a norm for the kids in track. I'm pleased with that because sometimes in the past the kids felt as if track wasn't important."

"I just think this track is the best around. The town employ-

ees did a phenomenal job of preparing everything. The company Cape and the Islands did a great job. There's five different levels and we did the best one, level five. This is the best track around."

Now the track needs a name. The football field is named "Alumni Stadium" and thanks in part to the Town Crier News Editor Steve Bjork, there's an article which needs to be approved at April 23rd's Town Meeting to name the track after legendary coach Frank Kelley. If the article is approved, the track will be named after the gentleman, teacher, coach and friend who dedicated over 50 years of his life to guiding teenagers on and off the track.

"I have no problem with that," said Harrison. "I think that would be great if the track is named after him."

Steve Bjork contributed to this report.



This past Wednesday, the Wilmington High boys and girls track teams hosted their first meets in three years thanks to the top of the line new track facility behind the work of the Town of Wilmington, the Department of Public Works, and the Cape and the Islands Company. (JoeBrownphotos.com)

First home meet in three years

Boys team wins both, girls fall

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

It couldn't have been scripted any better.

It was the first time in three years that the Wilmington High track program would host an outdoor meet. The Wildcat boys welcomed the teams from Hamilton-Wenham and Lynnfield with open arms last Wednesday afternoon on the gorgeous new complex.

And those two teams left with their heads and arms hanging as the Wildcats swept the tri-meet defeating Hamilton-Wenham, 104-41, and Lynnfield, 100-44.

"I'm very pleased," said head coach Bob Cripps. "I thought we did very well despite having a few injuries. We were without PJ Russo, and Mike Golden had a hip flexor so he didn't run. But the other kids did well."

Indeed they did. Seniors Brian Giamberardino and Chris Murray were exceptional in their five combined events, taking first and combining for 25 points in each victory. Murray had the very difficult task of not only winning the two mile race, but he rested up for short time and put the running shoes back in gear to compete in the mile. Murray won the two mile at 10:37.6 and then the mile at 4:42.3, which was 30 seconds better than the runner-up from Hamilton-Wenham.

Giamberardino started the day off with a tremendous improvement in the javelin. He won the event tossing 161 feet, 4

inches, which was more than 20 feet better than his previous best from last year. It also easily qualified him for the state meet which is 150 feet. Giamberardino came back strong to win the long jump (17-9) and 200 (24.0).

Several other Wildcats swept against both teams. Mike Golden won the high jump clearing 5-4. George Antor won the 100 at 12.3 seconds. Wil Nieman won the shot put tossing 43-5. Rick Fudge was the front runner in the 300 hurdles coming in at 46.2 seconds. Brad Goldblatt won the discus tossing 99-11.

Finally the team of Chris Crosby, Fudge, Mike Vassallo and Matt Robinson won the 4x100 relay race. Freshman Mike Condell won the 400 at 54.9 seconds against Hamilton-Wenham but was second against Lynnfield. Sophomore Ryan Dooley did the same in the 100 hurdles coming in at 18.2 seconds.

On Monday, Wilmington was defeated by North Reading, 90-33-50.57 to put their record at 2-1 thus far. The team will travel to Amesbury for an afternoon meet on Thursday.

Girls Drop both meets

When it finally came to an end, the final event was over, the darkness was about to rear its head over the stadium, head coach Tom Bradley didn't want to add up the final score. He knew he had time to do that when he got home, after he ate

his dinner which probably was frozen stuck to the plate on the counter.

While the first official meet at WHS in three years goes down officially in the books as a very long and confusing day, Bradley and the rest of his team was defeated by both teams, Hamilton-Wenham (81-59) and Lynnfield (75-70) in a tri-meet. But with struggles comes positives and Bradley was able to find a lot, despite his stomach growling for some grub.

"Last year we got killed by both teams," said Bradley. "When we faced Lynnfield last year we really weren't competitive at all. I didn't think we would be competitive against Hamilton-Wenham, and today we were competitive against both teams. To lose 75-70 to Lynnfield after last year I think is pretty good."

The Lynnfield meet came down to the last event, the discus which ended about 30 minutes after the boys meet was over and almost everyone else cleared the stadium. Wilmington finished with three points from the discus, and Lynnfield came away with the five-point victory.

"I thought we benefited during the meet with some good performances and we had some," said Bradley. "I also thought heading into the season that we have some weaknesses and we do. The 400 is a problem. We ran Jackie Mello in it and she's a 200 runner, not a 400

runner. Our sprinters did fine, but we didn't do well in the triple jump. The high jump was OK."

"The freshmen did well and that's good news. I think we can do better in the long jump. Brianna Bozzella was fabulous in the mile. The 800 we're pretty thin right now. I think it was a good start, but I think we'll have a better idea of the team after the next meet."

Senior Debbie Lyons and junior Jackie Mello had the strong days despite the team losing both meets. Lyons swept both teams in the 100 hurdles (16.6), javelin (85-10) and pole vault (7-6).

Mello won the 200 (25.7), finished second against both teams running in the 400 (63.7) for the first time in her career, and she also was first against both teams in the long jump at 14-7. The two of them combined to score 28 points in each meet.

No one else swept any event against both teams, but several girls did win an event against one of the opposing teams. Against Lynnfield, first places included Ashley Poirier in the shot put (25-55), Alicia Murray in the 400 (40.0) and Bozzella in the mile (6:11.8).

Freshman Stephanie Baima had a strong debut taking second in the high jump, clearing 4-6 and third in the 100 meter hurdles (19.3 seconds).

On Monday, the Cats fell to 0-3 with a 76-65 loss to North Reading also at home.



Wilmington's Will Nieman tosses the shot put 38 feet, 4 inches during last Wednesday's tri-meet held at WHS. The Wildcats won both meets against Hamilton-Wenham and Lynnfield. (JoeBrownphotos.com)



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Mite B's score seven against Sachems

Scoring was the name of the game on Saturday April 2nd when the Wilmington Mite B team had a 7-2 victory over Pentucket.

Defenseman Michael Marcinkowski slammed one from the red line right thru the surprised Pentucket goal tenders legs in the first play of the game.

Then before the first minute was up, winger Justin Collins made a swift pass to Scott Newton who shot the puck over the goalies head to put the score at 2-0. The offensive line of Joey Marino, Tommy Simmons and Kyle Callahan was unstoppable and sure enough Callahan scored goal number three for the team at 9:50 in the second period.

Pentucket had some powerful skaters. They made goal tender Glenn Sullivan work hard. They scored one goal in the first period by sneaking it in from behind and one deflection took an unusual bounce in the second period. But that was all they could muster past Sullivan. When there was a breakaway by the Pentucket center, Sullivan was like a wall leaving his opponent no where to shoot. Sam Dangelo and Gerry O'Reilly were also key in the defense this game. Several times Pentucket tried to make a play off the boards but O'Reilly put a stop to it and found a teammate to pass it to in the scoring position. Brodie Curtis had a great shot on net but to no avail. Then at the

close of the second period Dangelo made a pass to Robert Fullerton in the Wilmington Zone. Fullerton took it into the other end and used a wrist shot to score goal number four unassisted.

In the third period, they added three more goals. Michael Capistran worked the puck from the corner and made a pass to Nick Brown who was right out in front and scored goal number five. Then, Brandon Gentile picked up a loose puck and fired in goal number six. Then with only 14 seconds left, winger Billy Falter took the puck and made the play by passing one last time to Fullerton who scored goal number seven before the final buzzer.



The Wilmington Squirt E youth hockey team enjoyed its season which is coming to an end. (courtesy photo)

Wilmington Squirt E's finishing up on a successful youth hockey season

The Wilmington Squirt E team played two strong games of hockey over the weekend. The first game was in Wilmington on Saturday morning when Wilmington was matched up with Reading. Saturday's game was the last of the regular season for both Wilmington and Reading. Reading was ranked number one in the division and Wilmington showed them they came to play.

Ryan Bradley played goalie and made some unbelievable stops. Bradley displayed his

ability to move quickly from side to side and kept Reading at bay with some awesome glove saves. Reading scored the first goal during the first period. Then a strong offensive attack was put on by David Souza, Anthony Castellano, and Nick Gettler which resulted in three of Wilmington's goals in the second period.

Wilmington's strong defensive

partners Katie MacDougall and Jane Farrell along with Darren Mallett and Jared Walsh played outstanding shutting Reading's offensive lines down. Wilmington's forwards Kevin Dunfee, Avery Woodbury, Jonathan Keating, Kody Dunnatt, Billy Simmonds, and Steven Parrott kept the pressure on Reading playing hard, skating and passing throughout the game. Reading scored two goals in the third period to tie the game up. Wilmington kept the pressure on till the very last second when the game ended in a 3-3 tie.

The second game this weekend was the first game of the playoff series held in Lawrence Sunday afternoon against Haverhill. Haverhill was ranked number two in the divi-

sion. Wilmington coming off a big game the day before was up for the challenge.

Once again Ryan Bradley played goalie and made some incredible stops. Wilmington's defense had to use some incredible speed to keep up with the Haverhill forwards. Partners Jared Walsh and Darren Mallett along with Jane Farrell and Katie MacDougall kept the speed up and beating Haverhill out of the zone each chance they got. Haverhill scored a goal in the first period. Derek Santos had an exciting shot that hit the post. Then Jonathan Keating made a nice shot, which some say went over the line but was not ruled as a goal. Wilmington's for-

wards Anthony Castellano, David Souza, Kody Dunnatt, Billy Simmonds, Kevin Dunfee, Steven Parrott, Avery Woodbury, Jonathan Keating and Derek Santos, worked hard creating a nail biting and very exciting game to watch.

Haverhill scored their second goal in the third period. Wilmington pulled their goalie the last minute of the game putting Jared Walsh on as the extra attacker. Wilmington kept the pressure on until the very end. The season ended with a

cool ice cream from Dairy Queen.

Coach Bob Mallett would like to thank the players and parents for an exciting and productive season. And a special thanks to Coaches: Brian Farrell, Jim Castellano, David Souza, and Mark Bradley for all your dedication and devotion to the team.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, April 20, 2005, at 7:00 p.m., in compliance with provisions of M.G.L. Chap 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Request for a Determination of Applicability, filed by Mark Atlee, 20 Moore Street, Wilmington, MA 01887, owner & applicant. The applicant is proposing to remove a tree. This work is within the 100-foot buffer zone of bordering vegetated wetlands, as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is shown on Assessor's Map 21 Parcel 5-19, 20 Moore Street, Wilmington, MA. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Judy Waterhouse
4563 Conservation Commission

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT

(SEAL) Case No. MISC307282 To MARK R. FOSS, KAREN M. FOSS and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), as Nominee for Lender (Full Spectrum Lending, Inc.) and Lender's successors and assigns claiming to be the holder of mortgage covering real property in Wilmington, numbered 131 Church Street

given by Mark R. Foss and Karen M. Foss to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), as nominee for Lender (Full Spectrum Lending, Inc.) and Lender's Successors and assigns dated August 18, 2004 recorded in the Middlesex County (Northern District Registry of Deeds in Book 17758, Page 281 has filed with said court a complaint for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry and possession and exercise of power of sale.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Boston on or before the 16th day of May 2005, or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said act.

Witness, Karyn F. Scheier, Chief Justice of said Court this 30th day of March 2005.

4.13.05 Deborah J. Patterson
4576 Recorder

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



BOARD OF SELECTMEN PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held before the Board of Selectmen in the Wilmington Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Room 9, Wilmington, MA at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, April 25, 2005 on the application of Richard J. Harrington, P.E., Stanski and McNary, Inc., 80 Harris Street, Acton, MA. 01720 acting on behalf of Ballard Equity Partners, LLC for a Permit to Remove Earth Products on land situated at 261 Ballardvale Street, Wilmington, MA, and further described as Parcel 26B on Assessor's Map R-2 and shown on a plan on file with the application for said permit.

Michael V. McCoy, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
4.6.05, 4.13.05 4555

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT MIDDLESEX Division

Docket No. 05P1438EP1 In the Estate of GEORGE R. BRAZEE Late of TEWKSBURY

In the County of MIDDLESEX Date of Death JULY 3, 2004 NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that a document purporting to be the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that ROBERTA K. BRAZEE of TEWKSBURY in the County of MIDDLESEX be appointed executrix, named in the will to serve without surety.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said court at CAMBRIDGE on or before ten o'clock in the forenoon (10:00 a.m.) on MAY 6, 2005.

In addition, you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness, HON. ROBERT W. LANGLOIS, ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at CAMBRIDGE this day, April 6, 2005.
4.13.05 John R. Buonomo
4573 Register of Probate

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



WILMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS 161 CHURCH STREET WILMINGTON, MA 01887 8 1/2" x 11" WHITE COPY PAPER-WPS-03

The Town of Wilmington is seeking bids for "8 1/2" X 11" WHITE COPY PAPER." Specifications may be obtained at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools, 161 Church Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts. Bids clearly marked 8 1/2" x 11" WHITE COPY PAPER-WPS-03" will be received at the office of the School Committee, 161 Church Street, Wilmington, MA 01887 until 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 12, 2005 at which time they will be opened and publicly read. The School Committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to divide the award.

Wilmington School Committee
April 2005
4.13.05 4560

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT MIDDLESEX Division

Docket No. 05P1486EP1 In the Estate of MARGARET L. CASSIDY A/K/A MARGARET LOUISE CASSIDY

Late of TEWKSBURY In the County of MIDDLESEX Date of Death

NOVEMBER 27, 2004 NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that a document purporting to be the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that SHERYL A. VIAES of GROTON in the County of MIDDLESEX be appointed executrix, named in the will to serve without surety.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said court at CAMBRIDGE on or before ten o'clock in the forenoon (10:00 a.m.) on MAY 6, 2005.

In addition, you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness, HON. ROBERT W. LANGLOIS, ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at CAMBRIDGE this day, APRIL 6, 2005.
4.13.05 John R. Buonomo
4577 Register of Probate

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids for furnishing the following products and services for the year July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006, to the Town of Wilmington, Massachusetts, will be received at the Office of the Town Manager, Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, Massachusetts 01887, until 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 12, 2005, where and when they will be publicly opened and read:

1. Bituminous Products
2. Sand
3. Equipment Rental (Screener/Backhoe/Tub Grinder)
4. Pavement Markings
5. Pavement Micro-Surfacing
6. Textured Crosswalks
7. Fire Hydrants
8. Valve & Curb Boxes
9. Valves
10. Misc. Water Supplies
11. Ductile Iron Pipe
12. Water Quality Testing

Bid specifications may be obtained at the Office of the Town Manager, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA. 01887

File original bid with the Town Manager, Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, Massachusetts 01887. Mark each envelope: "Bid on (identify specific product) to be opened at 11:00 a.m. on May 12, 2005."

All bidders for Item No. 1C (Bituminous Concrete In-Place), and Item No. 5 (Pavement Micro-Surfacing) must submit with their bids, documentation

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT MIDDLESEX Division

Docket NO. 05A0139TM In the Matter of FEMALE BIGGS, minor of SOMERVILLE In the County of MIDDLESEX CITATION

M.G.L. c. 210 § 3 To JAMES PUTNEY of TEWKSBURY, MA. in the County of Middlesex, and any unknown or unnamed father, parent(s) of the above named child.

* A putative father will not have standing as a party to this case without a voluntary acknowledgment of parentage or an adjudication of paternity.

A petition has been presented to said court by CATHOLIC CHARITIES 270 WASHINGTON ST., SOMERVILLE, MA. 02143 representing that the father of the child lack(s) the current ability, capacity, fitness and readiness to assume parental responsibility for the child; that the petitioner's plan for the child will serve the child's best interest; and, praying that this Honorable Court enter a decree under the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 210, Section 3, that shall have the effect of terminating the

that they are prequalified by the Mass. Highway Dept. (in accordance with 720 CMR 5.00) to perform Chapter 90 construction work.

Where indicated, bid proposals shall include labor rates and must conform to Mass. General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 27, Department of Labor and Industries.

The bid for Item No. 1C (Bituminous Concrete In-Place), and Item No. 5 (Pavement Micro-Surfacing), shall be accompanied by a bid deposit (returnable) in the amount of 5% of the total bid. This may be cash, certified check or bid bond, payable to the Town of Wilmington.

Quantities shown on bid sheet are approximate only and will be used for comparison of bids.

As a minimum, all work shall be performed in compliance with Massachusetts Highway Department (MHD) "Standard Specifications for Highways and Bridges", 1995 Edition.

Purchases by the Town of Wilmington are exempt from any Federal, State, Municipal and/or excise tax.

The Town of Wilmington reserves the right to waive any formality and/or to reject any or all bids or any parts thereof deemed not to be in the best interest of the Town of Wilmington.

The bidder certifies under penalties of perjury that this bid has been made and submitted in good faith and without collusion or fraud with any other person. As used in this certification, the word "person" shall mean any natural person, business, partnership corporation, union, committee, club or other organization, entity, or group of individuals.

4.6.05 Michael A. Cairra
4552 Town Manager

rights of the person(s) named herein to receive notice of or to consent to any legal proceeding affecting the custody, guardianship, adoption or other disposition of the child named herein.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT MIDDLESEX PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT, 208 CAMBRIDGE ST., CAMBRIDGE, MA. 02141 ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 A.M.) ON MAY 18, 2005.

YOU ARE ENTITLED TO THE APPOINTMENT OF AN ATTORNEY IF YOU ARE AN INDIGENT PERSON. An indigent person is defined by SJC RULE 3:10. The definition includes but is not limited to persons receiving AFDC, EAEDC, poverty related veteran's benefits, food stamps, refugee resettlement benefits, Medicaid, and SSI. The Court will determine if you are indigent. Contact an Assistant Register/Adoptions Clerk of the Court on or before the date listed above to obtain the necessary forms.

Witness, HON. ROBERT W. LANGLOIS, ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at CAMBRIDGE this day, April 6, 2005.

John R. Buonomo
Register of Probate
4.13.05, 4.20.05, 4.27.05 4571

Mite A's take on Medford in first round of Valley League Playoffs

On Sunday, April 10th, the Wilmington Mite A's took on Medford in the first round of the Valley League playoffs. These two teams had matched up fairly even during the regular season, with Wilmington taking a 1-2-1 regular season record vs Medford into their playoff match up. The two teams finished the regular season with only a single point separating them in the standings, with Wilmington finishing on top.

Zach Malatesta put Wilmington on the board first with a goal just 24 seconds into the game on a nice wrist shot from just inside the blue line. Well deserved assists went to Shane Brennan and Rich Greenberg.

With the crowd still buzzing over the first Wildcat goal, Medford tucked one past goaltender Jimmy Davey to tie the score at 1-1. For the remainder of the first period, both teams had chances to put their team in the lead. Great passing by Johnny Galasso and Cody McGowan lead to multiple scoring opportunities. If not for the rock solid defense of Kevin

Cummings and Chris Sartori, along with the stellar goaltending of Jimmy Davey, Medford may have taken a large lead into the second period.

With the score tied heading into the second period, Justin DeNorscia, Joseph Castellano and Johnny Galasso did their best to put Wilmington on the board. Just over three minutes into the period, the Wildcats pulled ahead on a goal by Rich Greenberg after a fantastic rush by Cody McGowan. Not to be outdone, Medford came back and tied the score just a few minutes later, and went ahead 3-2 as the second period reached its end.

Before the start of the third period, coaches Bob Greenberg and Jim McGowan held a quick strategy session just in front of the Wilmington bench. As they came out hard at the start of the third period, Mark Albano, Tommy Thompson and Jamie Hill did what they could to keep the puck in the Medford end, but great defense and timely saves by the Medford goaltender kept Wilmington off the board. Midway through the third period, Medford struck

twice for a 5-2 lead, that proved insurmountable.

With this playoff loss, the Mite A's season has come to a close. The team played their hearts out every week, and never gave up. Win or lose, everyone was back at practice smiling and ready to work hard to prepare for the next contest. This was a team that worked together, encouraged each other, shared birthday's and spent fun time eating pizza at Rocco's. They enjoyed the support of caring parents and the instruction of dedicated coaches, Bob Greenberg and Jim McGowan.

Thanks to Bob and Jim for their time and hard work. Thanks to the parents for making the time in the stands enjoyable and at times, entertaining. Thanks to the many brothers and sisters who came to support the team. And thanks to the boys for another great season of Wilmington Youth Hockey. We're all proud of you for what you've accomplished, your sportsmanship and teamwork. Have a safe and happy off season, see you in September!



The Burlington/Wilmington Girls Under 12 hockey team won the Middlesex Yankee Conference league Under 12 championship on April 3.

(courtesy photo)

Under 12 girls hockey team takes title

The Burlington/Wilmington Under 12 Girls Hockey team won the Middlesex Yankee Conference Girls League Under 12 Championship on Sunday, April 3.

On April 2, B/W played a strong team from Chelmsford. Nicole Magee was in net and ready for action. Chelmsford got on the board first, but B/W answered with a goal from Caitlyn Ryan assisted by Alex Fletcher. B/W scored two in the 2nd; Sara Walsh netted a shorthanded goal assisted by Jordan Green and Fletcher added the other unassisted. Chelmsford managed to get on the board again late in the 2nd, but that proved to be their last goal of the game. B/W scored another in the 3rd period as Colleen Good popped one in unassisted. The final score was 4-2, and the win put the B/W team into the finals to face off against Medford.

Goalie Nicole Magee was once again ready for action late on Sunday when B/W met Medford at the Arlington Rink. B/W put the pressure on early as Good, Ryan and Walsh lined up with the defensive pairing of Ashley Brouillette and Taylor Doyle. Play continued with the line of Holly Brouillette, Jordan Green and Alex Fletcher moving the puck into the Medford zone for a few scoring chances. Medford's goalie came up with many big saves, including a kick save on a breakaway attempt to keep B/W off the scoreboard. The first period ended with Medford leading 2-

0. The 2nd opened with a bang as Ryan put B/W on the board with a rebound goal assisted by Mikaela Libby. The line of Danielle Hunt, Caroline Robarge and Libby controlled the puck in the neutral zone, keeping Medford at bay with help from the defensive pairing of Ashley Michals and Mikaela Gelormini. Medford added a 3rd goal, but then Magee came up with a big glove save to keep the score at 3-1.

Ryan cut the Medford lead to one with a goal halfway through the 3rd period assisted by Walsh and Good. Action throughout the game was fast-paced with both goalies coming up big when needed. With 1:30 on the clock, the B/W coach pulled the goalie and put a sixth player on the ice. Medford was able to move the puck into the B/W zone. Sara Walsh came up with a big play, stopping a shot in front of the open net and clearing the puck out of the zone. With 10 seconds on the clock, Ryan rushed the puck for B/W, but Medford was able to clear it to the corner. Never giving up, Green dug it out, went to net and Ryan lit the lamp on the rebound with just 1/10th of a second remaining on the clock, sending the game into overtime.

The Championship sudden-death overtime format consisted of a 5 min. five-on-five; followed by a 2 min. four-on-four; then a 2 min. three-on-three. Finally, during the 2 min. two-on-two with Caitlyn Ryan and Jordan Green on the ice for B/W, Green moved the puck into the Medford zone, dished off a pass to Ryan who found

the back of the net to seal the Championship for B/W. The players all mobbed Ryan and goalie Nicole Magee at center ice, before lining up to receive their trophies. Congratulations on a great season!

The Burlington/Wilmington Under12 team consists of players from both towns ranging in age from 8 to 12 years old. They play in the Middlesex Yankee Conference Girls League, which is run by Kathy and Ronnie Cincotta from Waltham and consists of teams at the Under 10, Under 12 and Under 14 levels from many towns.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



WILMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS 161 CHURCH STREET WILMINGTON, MA 01887 SCHOOL PICTURE BID

The Town of Wilmington is seeking bids for "School Pictures". Specifications may be obtained at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools, 161 Church Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts. Bids clearly marked "School Pictures" will be received at the Office of the School Committee, 161 Church Street, Wilmington, MA 01887 until 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 4, 2005, at which time they will be opened and publicly read. The School Committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to divide the award.

Wilmington School Committee
April, 2005
4.6.05 04553

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, April 20, 2005, at 8:00 p.m., in compliance with provisions of M.G.L. Chap 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Request for a Determination of Applicability, filed by Olin Corporation, c/o Steve Morrow, 1186 Lower River Road, NW, Box 248 Charleston TN, 37310, owner and applicant. New England Resins & Pigments Corporation, 316 New Boston Street, Woburn, MA 01801, Charles T. Spinazola/Clarence Spinazola Trust, 887 Main Street, Wilmington, MA 01887, owners. The applicant is proposing to collect soil samples. This work is within the 100-foot buffer zone of bordering vegetated wetlands, as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is shown on Assessor's Map 37 Parcel 1 & 10, and Map 25 Parcel 2B, 51 Eames Street, 895 R. Woburn Street and 937 Main Street, Wilmington, MA. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

4.13.05 Judy Waterhouse
4566 Conservation Commission

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, April 20, 2005, at 8:10 p.m., in compliance with provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Notice of Intent, filed by Vincent Locco, 325 Woburn Street, Wilmington, MA 01887, owner and applicant. The applicant is proposing to keep the boulders in place and replicate the wetland area loss of 150 sq. feet, excavate approximately six inches of soil and replace with organic soils and plant a wetland seed mix. This work is within the 100-foot buffer zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located on Assessor's Map 86 Parcel 6C, 325 Woburn Street Wilmington, MA. 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

4.13.05 Judy Waterhouse
4567 Conservation Commission

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, April 20, 2005, at 7:00 p.m., in compliance with provisions of M.G.L. Chap 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Request for a Determination of Applicability, filed by Olin Corporation, c/o Steve Morrow, 1186 Lower River Road, NW, Box 248 Charleston TN, 37310, owner and applicant. The applicant is proposing to place a 12-foot by 60-foot trailer and two 8-foot by 40 foot trailers with additional covered storage and fencing, they would be used for office space and record storage. This work is within the 100-foot buffer zone of bordering vegetated wetlands, as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is shown on Assessor's Map 37 Parcel 10, 51 Eames Street, Wilmington, MA. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

4.13.05 Judy Waterhouse
4565 Conservation Commission

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT MIDDLESEX Division

Docket No. 05P1392EP1
In the Estate of
EVERETT P. MCBRIDE
Late of TEWKSBURY
In the County of MIDDLESEX
Date of Death
February 15, 2005
NOTICE OF PETITION
FOR PROBATE OF WILL

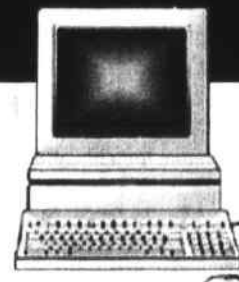
To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that a document purporting to be the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that THOMAS STEVENSON of TEWKSBURY in the County of MIDDLESEX be appointed executor, named in the will to serve without surety.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness, HON. ROBERT W. LANGLOIS, ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at CAMBRIDGE this day, March 31, 2005

4.13.05 John R. Buonono
4558 Register of Probate

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☒ A: Saving Silverman ☐ B: The School of Rock
☐ C: That Thing You Do

And the winners are...
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- Cheryl Lecsse, 446 Shawshen Ave., Wilmington
- Marie Guida, 7 Strang St., Tewksbury
- B. Hill, 127 John St., Tewksbury

Tickets must be picked up within 30 days.
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TOWN OF WILMINGTON



MASSACHUSETTS 01887
INVITATION TO BID
THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT IS SOLICITING BIDS FOR THE LOWELL STREET WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT. SEALED BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED AT THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER, TOWN HALL, 121 GLEN ROAD, WILMINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS, 01887, UNTIL 11:00 AM, ON MONDAY, MAY 2, 2005, AT WHICH TIME THEY WILL BE PUBLICLY OPENED AND READ. PROPOSALS MUST BE IN A SEALED ENVELOPE BEARING THE BID TITLE, DATE AND TIME OF BID OPENING, AND BIDDERS NAME AND ADDRESS.

Work involves the installation of approximately 3,800 linear feet of ductile iron water main in Lowell Street between Woburn Street and West Street

with diameters from 4 inches to 16 inches; abandonment of existing water main in place; and completing connections from existing mains, branches and services to the new ductile iron water main.

Bid documents including bid forms and contract specifications will be secured at Green International Affiliates, Inc., 407 Rear Mystic Avenue, Unit 25, Medford, Massachusetts, Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. through 12:00 p.m., and 1:00 p.m. through 4:30 p.m. A seventy-five dollar (\$75.00) non-refundable deposit is required for each set of plans and specifications to provide for reproduction and administrative costs. Deposits shall be paid by cashier's check made out to Green International Affiliates, Inc. All bids for this project are subject to the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 30, Section 39M, and Chapter 149, Sections 44A through 44J, inclusive as amended.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on April 25, 2005, 2:00 p.m., at the Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, Massachusetts 01887.

Michael A. Cairra, Manager
Town of Wilmington
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Shawsheen Tech Sports Round-Up

Baseball team slugs past Lowell Catholic

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

It's only one game, but as season openers go, things could not have gone much better for the Shawsheen Tech baseball team last Thursday afternoon when they hosted non-league rival Lowell Catholic. The Rams dominated from start to finish, scoring four runs in the first inning and coasting to a 16-1 victory in a game called after 5 innings due to the mercy rule.

And speaking of getting a season off to a good start, Shawsheen pitcher Jay Sholl of Wilmington started in grand style on the mound and at the plate. In his role as starting pitcher Sholl came through with flying colors, throwing five strong innings and allowing five hits while striking out five and walking nobody.

"Jay is not overpowering, but the key for him is to spot the ball well and he did a great job of that, with 45 of his 63 pitches being for strikes," Bloom said. "He's not a big strikeout pitcher, but he is very effective at keeping hitters off balance."

But his performance on the mound actually paled in comparison to his performance at the plate, as he hit two home runs including his first career grand slam and had a career high seven RBI to lead the Rams offensive onslaught.

Also having big games at the plate for the Rams were number nine hitter Brandon McCarthy, John Higgins and Wilmington native Kyle Browne. McCarthy belted a three run homer, while Higgins had a solo shot and Browne added a two run dinger to help the cause as the Rams banged out 12 hits.

"The key for us was batting consistently throughout our lineup," Bloom said. "We had 10 different players and eight of our starters all have hits and we got home runs out of our number 3, 4, 5 and nine batters."

The Rams took a 4-0 lead in the first inning before extending their lead to 7-0 after three innings and 12-1 after four. After the Rams scored four more in the bottom of the fifth and shut down Lowell Catholic in the top of the sixth, the game was called.

Bloom was surprised his squad was able to roll over Lowell Catholic with such ease, but he knows there were extenuating circumstances that helped the Rams cause.

"It was just a case of them playing their third game of the week and us playing in our season opener," Bloom said. "It's

difficult early in the season like that when you don't really have your rotation set. We usually have great games with them and I am sure when we play them again later in the season it will be much more competitive."

The Rams needed to quickly put this game behind them as they were set to begin their CAC Upper Division schedule on Tuesday at Greater Lowell and on Thursday at home against Whittier. The Rams defeated Greater Lowell four times last season including the vocational tournament, but on the other hand they lost to Whittier on three separate occasions.

Softball

The Shawsheen softball team is off to a very impressive start as well, with their most recent win coming in a 20-0 rout over a rebuilding Chelsea program on Monday afternoon. With Chelsea struggling to get their season going in the right direction, there was a danger of the Lady Rams looking past them, but that was definitely not the case.

"We played very well," coach Maureen Buckley said. "We made some mistakes, but the girls stayed focused and the pitchers did well."

The pitchers Buckley referred to were Tewksbury native and senior tri-captain Kristine Elwell, who threw two innings and struck out four of seven batters while allowing only one hit and Kim Razzari who tossed three innings and allowed only one hit while striking out six before the game was called due to the mercy rule.

Senior first baseman and tri-captain Cailyn McLaughlin of Tewksbury provided an offensive spark, scoring four runs for the Lady Rams, while freshman second baseman Katie Hogan of Tewksbury scored three runs of her own and had a pair of hits.

The win improved the Rams record to 2-0 on the young season, when coupled with a very impressive season opening win over CAC rival Minuteman last Thursday at Shawsheen.

Elwell was outstanding in this one, as she pitched a complete game and allowed only three hits while striking out 13 batters in her first varsity start. The only run she allowed was unearned. And just to make sure her efforts on the mound would not go for naught, Elwell also contributed at the plate with a pair of hits.

With all of her heroics it was a simple fundamental play that opened Buckley's eyes more

than anything.

"She pitched well and had a nice game with the bat," Buckley said. "At one point she put a bunt down that if I had drawn it up it could not have been any better. I wanted it up the first base line and she put it perfectly about six inches fair and halfway up the line."

The game was a lot closer than the score would indicate, as it was still very much in doubt until the Lady Rams score three runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to break the game open. The game itself was a microcosm of what Buckley hopes she sees all season from her team, particularly in the case of left fielder Marissa Porter.

"This whole season will be about having some growing pains and seeing how we grow from them," Buckley said. "We made some mistakes including Marissa who made an error early in the game, but came back to make a great catch of a line drive to end the game."

"If we all react like that to our mistakes this season we will be ok."

Wilmington resident Ashley Robar started her season in impressive fashion with a hit and an RBI. She also sustained a minor injury which would keep her out of other Chelsea games, but overall her day was a memorable one.

"She banged her hand up a little trying to catch a pitch, but she will be OK," Buckley said. "She went 1 for 4 and she called a great game behind the plate which is very important to us. The pitchers need to have confidence in their catcher and they definitely do with Ashley."

The Lady Rams will continue their season this Wednesday and Thursday when the take on Ursuline and North Shore, respectively.

"North Shore will be an important league game for us," Buckley said. "We beat them 1-0 last season, so you know they will be gunning for us."

Lacrosse

The Shawsheen lacrosse team is also off to a fast start this season, one game into the campaign. On Monday, April 4 the Rams opened their season with a thrilling 8-7 win over Mass. Technical Lacrosse League rival Northeast Regional.

The game was close throughout, tied at 2-2 after one period and with the Rams holding slim leads of 4-3 at the half and 5-4 at end of three periods.

The game remained tight until the closing minutes when Northeast tied the game with just over a minute remaining.

It looked like the teams were headed for overtime, but junior attack man Dan Roy had other ideas, scoring the dramatic game winning goal with just eight seconds left in the game. Roy was assisted on the goal by freshman attack Mike Arricale and senior attack Peter Capraro of Tewksbury.

"Arricale and Capraro made a couple of beautiful passes," Shawsheen coach Al Costabile said. "Peter set up Mike and Mike set up Dan right in front and Dan made no mistake and put it in for the goal."

The goal was Roy's fourth of the game. Having lost some key scoring punch with year's leading scorer Ron Raymond now set to miss the entire season, the Rams needed somebody to provide some offense for them and at least for one game that player was Roy.

"Dan stepped up really big for us," Costabile said. "It was great to see that in the first game of the season."

Not surprisingly the Rams also got a big offensive contribution from junior midfielder Kyle Marzeoti who had two goals and three assists. Marzeoti was the team's second leading scorer last season and he looks primed to be even better this season.

Capraro added a goal to go along with his great assist on Roy's goal, while Tewksbury resident Ron Gordon had a goal and an assist and fellow Tewksbury resident Rich Fantasia had an assist.

In goal, senior Hank Chase was outstanding as he was for most of last season with 18 saves, including several big ones late in the contest.

"Hank did a nice job for us," Costabile said. "This is a good team. We had a lot of trouble with them late last season. Our unbeaten streak was on the line because we were down 8-6 in the fourth quarter. They will be tough for the whole league to go against."

Overall, Costabile felt he saw enough positive things to take into his squad's next game.

"Our effort was good, but we have a lot of things to work on both offensively and defensively," Costabile said. "We made some mistakes, but you expect those in your first game. We had been practicing in the parking lot and that just does not prepare you to be on the field against a good opponent."

Track and Field

The Shawsheen Tech track team has a new face as its leader this season, and new head coach, Wilmington native, Jason Tildsley seems to

be a perfect fit to lead the Rams on improving last year's impressive 8-4 record.

But more important than Tildsley, who had served as an assistant under former coach Ken Gabriel for the past three seasons, the Rams will return 15 members from last year's team and have had several new athletes join this year's squad, to improve their team size from 28 last year to over 50 this season.

Early on, the combination of Tildsley and the team seems to be working for the Rams as they are off to a 3-0 start with wins over Nashoba Tech, Montachusett Tech and Assabet Valley.

The Rams will have a strong local flavor on the team this season, particularly among their team leaders, as a pair of seniors, Matt Clarkin of Wilmington and Pat Connor of Tewksbury will be the team's tri-captains along with fellow senior Adam Durkee of Billerica.

As a first year head coach Tildsley decided to let the team select their own captains, but he could not have done better if he had picked them himself.

"They were the top three vote getters so their teammates obviously saw something," Tildsley said. "Before we even counted the votes, myself and the assistant coaches had come up with the same three. They see what we see, which is very good."

The team captains will not only provide solid leadership for the team, but they will help tremendously where it matters most, on the tracks and fields of play. Clarkin will lead the Rams in the 100 and 200 meters, while Connor will compete in the high jump, javelin, relay and 200 meters. Durkee is competing in the low hurdles, triple jump and one mile.

"Clarkin is definitely the best sprinter on the team, and Connor is very versatile. Basically he just does everything. He's just a natural athlete," Tildsley said. "And Durkee is probably strongest in the low hurdles, but he is also a very strong distance runner."

Another local will be one of the key members of the squad for the Rams as he has been for the last few seasons. Senior Matt Lucas will run the 2 mile as well as the 800 meters for the Rams. With the Rams off to a 3-0 start this season, Lucas has also been outstanding as an individual, which should come as no surprise to anyone who has seen him run the past couple of seasons.

"Matt may have lost once last

year if at all," Tildsley said. "He's a very good runner and should be very good for us again this season."

Junior Rich Doane and sophomore Dan Pinn will also be keys to the Rams success this season, competing in the discus and shotput.

"Rich is probably the best we have in discus," Tildsley said. "And Dan played lacrosse last year, but came to us this season and we are happy to have him. He will be right up there with Rich."

Several other locals will be helping the Rams aim for the top of the Commonwealth Athletic Conference.

Sophomore Mike O'Malley of Tewksbury will compete in the one mile, while fellow Tewksbury resident and sophomore Tyler McCarthy will compete in the high hurdles. Freshman Chris Damp is competing in the 800 meters.

All three got off to sensational starts this season, winning their events in the season opening win over Nashoba Tech. Damp's win may have been most impressive, as it came over the nearly unbeatable Lucas.

George D'Amelio and freshman Joe Gore will represent Wilmington for the Rams, with D'Amelio competing in the low hurdles and javelin and Gore in the low hurdles, 100 meters and javelin.

The competition within the CAC will be stiff, as the Rams will need to battle the likes of Greater Lowell and Whittier among others. Tildsley isn't about to predict the Rams first league title since 1982, but he does feel his team can be successful this season, while also building for the future.

"Being my first year as head coach, we will try to take it one meet at a time and develop our young talent, since we have 28 freshmen," Tildsley said. "I think we can improve on last year, but to me the best thing is that we have a great nucleus for years to come."

The have dominated their three non-league meets to start the season, beating Nashoba Tech 91-46 to start the season last Tuesday and sweeping a tri-meet over Monty Tech and Assabet Valley by scores of 78-58 and 100-37, respectively. The win over Monty Tech was the Rams first victory over them in 15 seasons.

Due to lack of space, a story on Jason Tildsley taking over as head coach of the Tech track program will appear in next week's edition.

Wilmington Squirt D's and Pee Wee D's lace up the skates

The Wilmington Squirt D's have been busy in both Valley League and Dual State action. In a recent home contest, Wilmington faced off against the always tough Malden 2 squad.

In a change of pace, it was the Cats who jumped out to the early lead, holding a 2-0 advantage after the first period. Luke Foley opened the scoring assisted on the play by Drew Babine. Brian Healey scored right before the period ended following up a Joe Bolognese shot. After Malden came back within one, Foley again connected off a pass from Babine and Kennedy Harper. Babine tallied a goal of his own to close out the period capping off a nice rush from Jimmy Carlin and Harper, putting the Cats up 4-1.

In the third period, the Cat defense felt the pressure as Malden kept two forwards up ice in an effort to force more breakaways. Steve Spinazola made a number of saves in his first start in net, however Malden cut the deficit to two with a pile up in front of the crease. With less than 2 minutes to go, the referee called Harper for a phantom check giving Malden a man advantage. To the fans this brought back the painful "too many men on the ice" penalty called against Wilmington in the last Malden game! This immedi-

ately became a two man advantage when Malden pulled their goalie and try as the defense might, Malden pulled within one within 30 seconds.

With only 17 seconds to go and the goalie still pulled, a Malden forward broke through for a breakaway and tied the game 4-4 despite the best efforts of the Cats to stop him. All in all, the Cats played one of their best games against Malden and were quite satisfied with the tie.

Jumping in their cars and heading down 128, Wilmington met Burlington in a Dual State game right afterwards. Bolstered by an additional 2 skaters, the team showed no signs of being tired. Steve Spinazola manned the pipes again and was aided by the sharp defense of Jake Gingras, Mike Curtis, Brendan Benoit and Maryanna DiRupo.

This game was a back and forth affair with Burlington jumping out to an early lead. Drew Babine and Kennedy Harper continued to be a force around the net as they fed Brian Healey for the equalizer.

Burlington opened the second period with two quick goals before Healey again scored for the Cats with the help of his linemates Babine and Harper. The period ended with a 3-2 Burlington advantage. Notching his second goal of the day, Babine drew the teams

even off the assists of Healey and Gingras.

The Cats finally went on top with an Andy Sylvia goal as he took a nice feed from Luke Foley and lifted the puck over the prone Burlington goalie.

Offensively, Connor Kilday, Alex O'Reilly, Joe Bolognese, and Jimmy Carlin worked the boards trying to keep the puck in the Burlington end. Alas, the snake-bitten Wilmington squad saw their lead evaporate with under two minutes to go when a Burlington skater broke free at center ice, drove to the net and blasted the tying goal past the diving Spinazola. For the second time in the same day the end result was a 4-4 tie.

It was one of the better offensive displays by the Cats in some time as Babine accounted for 6 points on the day (2-4-6), Healey 3 goals and an assist, Foley 2 goals and an assist, and Harper picked up 4 assists.

In their latest contest, Wilmington laced them up against Groton 3 in a Dual State match up. Jimmy Carlin donned the pads for the undermanned squad as the Cats dressed only 9 players. The game featured outstanding goaltending by both teams as each goalie turned away a number of breakaways. Steve Spinazola opened the scoring after a pass in the slot from Joe Bolognese. Groton answered with two goals of their own tak-

ing the lead by the end of the second. Cam Babine set up Luke Foley in front of the crease and Foley finished off the play with the tying goal.

In a scene becoming all too familiar to the Wildcat fans, the Cats were called for a penalty with less than a minute to go in the game! Sure enough, Groton swarmed the Wilmington crease and netted the go ahead goal with 26 seconds to go. In a valiant effort, Carlin played a stellar game for Wilmington and the defense of Jake Gingras, Maryanna DiRupo, and Brendan Benoit worked overtime helping him.

Offensively, Bolognese, Spinazola, Babine, Foley, and Connor Kilday generated a number of outstanding chances but were stymied by the Groton goaltender. The Cats skated hard from start to finish, leaving everything they had on the ice which is all their satisfied coaches could ask.

Pee Wee D's

Wilmington's Pee Wee D team entered their final weekend of regulation play, meeting more power than anticipated. They faced Reading first in a tight race.

Reading came out strong, efficiently breaking up the Wildcat plays. Late in the 1st, Reading got on the board, with Ferolito firing one in assisted by

O'Leary and McCaffrey. Both teams continued to lock horns and came up empty in the 2nd period.

The Wildcats defense kept on top of Reading with Cerbone, Fitch and BC Layton helping Goalie Luise shut them down. Wilmington's offensive power was silent and it looked like Reading had the game. Yet, the Wildcats came through at the wire. With 50 seconds to go, Sara Alonardo blasted one through the pipes, assisted by Adam Siegel, to walk away with a 1-1 tie.

Next Wilmington faced S&S in another close and scrappy game. A slow start left the Wildcats with few scoring opportunities in the 1st, but Luise's quick glove was hot, blocking everything in his way. Wilmington's defense worked hard to shut down S&S.

Despite a great block by Fitch, S&S' LeClerc was able to throw one out front for Videtta to pop in and light the lamp first. The Wildcats came alive with lots of hustle, but unfortunately couldn't capitalize on the power plays.

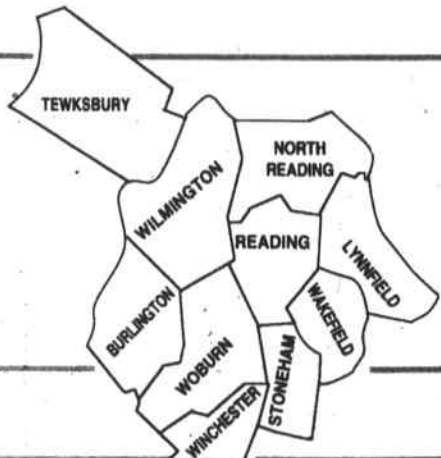
While S&S breakaways were fast, shots went wide or were grabbed by Luise. Late in the 2nd, the Wilmington offense struck. Trevor Foley first looked like he had it in, only to be met by an awesome block by Kirby in net. Foley and Alonardo next set up Adam

Siegel, who took the opportunity to even the score, 1-1, at the close of the 2nd. DiRupo and Shafer kept after S&S and ended up in the box together!

The feisty play continued in the 3rd. The Wildcat penalty killing by Cerbone, Fitch, and Blinn was awesome, but once back at full strength, S&S got a lucky break, sneaking one in behind the Wildcat defense and off a skate to make it 2-1.

Luise made sure this was their last! S&S's Kirby kept turning away the Wildcat offense, yet, Munro, Toto and Blinn kept flying strong, and MacInnis, Shafer and DiRupo poured on their pressure. MacInnis looked like he had one in, only to be turned away. With 3 minutes left, Wilmington was again killing a penalty, Fitch was joined by BC Layton, Alonardo and Siegel to successfully kill the penalty. Yet S&S walked away with the win, 2-1.

Despite the disappointing end, the Pee Wee D team displayed awesome perseverance and sportsmanship, and secured first place finishes in both Dual State and Valley League! Congratulations to all the players and a special thank you to the coaches and team sponsor, Wilmington Arena Authority.



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**CHERNOBYL
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Wilmington Town Crier

What started out as little more than a seed of an idea in 1994 has blossomed into an all-encompassing Massachusetts community campaign. More than 100 children, who continue to suffer from the lingering effects of an explosion that occurred years before they were even born, will travel to Boston on June 21st as part of the Chernobyl Children Project USA, Inc.

Doctors, dentists, and families from Canton to Wilmington are volunteering once again to provide hope to these children from Belarus, Ukraine and Southwestern Russia—the areas contaminated by radiation from the worst man-made nuclear disaster of the century.

It's been 19 years since the Chernobyl disaster, but unfortunately the passing of time has not made basic human needs like fresh air, water, and food a common expectation for those still living in the contaminated areas.

Wilmington residents Jane and Matt DePasquale, Tracy and John Arvanitis, and Rene and John Stenson will welcome children in need of healthcare services into their homes this June. During their one-month stay, the children will receive donated medical and dental care and will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of fun events, such as a Boston Harbor cruise.

To raise money for travel

expenses, which cost \$3,000 per family for two children, the Wilmington families are inviting the public to a dinner and dance party at the Woburn Sons of Italy on April 30. Mike Wankum, chief meteorologist for the 10 o'clock news on Channel 56 and president of the Board of Directors of the Chernobyl Children Project, will auction off donated items.

Physicians from the three affected countries select children for the program based on their medical needs. Next week, Patty Doyle, president of the Dedham-based non-profit Chernobyl Children Project, will travel to Belarus, Ukraine and Russia along with a volunteer team of doctors and nurses from Massachusetts hospitals. They will meet the children and will determine the tests and treatments to be administered when the children arrive in June.

There are always more children in dire need of medical help than there are host homes available, which is why children cannot be selected for the program a second time.

"Unfortunately, I have to turn kids away every year," Doyle said.

If a child does need on-going care, then special arrangements are made for a return trip. For instance, a young girl being treated here in Massachusetts for a rare blood disease will be traveling home to Belarus with Doyle next week.

According to Doyle, the visiting children and the host families both benefit in many ways.



The Stinson Family, above, flanked by Alexei and Uri, enjoy a day of swimming with their Soviet guests. Forging a strong bond, the children play games and enjoy riding bikes together. At left, we see memories of a previous July 4th visit. It's been 19 years since the Chernobyl disaster, but unfortunately the passing of time has not made basic human needs like fresh air, water, and food a common expectation for those still living in the contaminated areas. Approximately 5.5 million people, including more than a million children, continue to live in the contaminated zones.

"I could go on forever about what a wonderful experience this has been for my family, friends, community and parish," Doyle said. "It puts life into perspective for our children with an appreciation for just how lucky we are to live in this country."

Patty first got involved in the program in 1995. Her two children came home from church announcing that they were going to be a host family. As business manager for the Archdiocese at the time, Patty was volunteered by the grassroots group to help with fundraising for the host families. Today, Patty is the only paid employee of the Chernobyl Children Project.

The outpouring of support from the community was an unexpected aspect of the experience that Rene Stenson, who hosted two boys last year, found incredibly touching.

Everywhere she went with the children, people wanted to help, to give her things for the children and to find how they could be a host family. Dr. Caldwell, Stenson's family dentist in Burlington, contributed \$1,000 of free dentistry to the children. A sporting goods store gave the children Tom Brady shirts.

"I was totally amazed how the goodwill of people spread like wildfire," said Rene.

Rene and John Stenson have two sons, Eric and Scott, who were 8 and 5 years old respectively last year when Yuri Budan, 12, and Alexsei Copolov, 10, visited for one month. Even though Yuri and Alexsei did not speak English, the communication gap was not a gap at all according to Rene.

"Kids are kids. They played together, rode bikes, played baseball," said Stenson.

A strong bond was formed between the children. When

Stenson's son gave one of the boys a Wilmington Little League T shirt, he replied "Oh, my American brother, thank you."

The heartbreaking realities of life in the children's homeland hit Rene hard when she had to convince the children that it was safe to drink the milk and eat the fruit here in this country. "My children saw in these children what we take for granted," Stenson said.

It was Rene's stories of the positive impact that these children continue to have on her family's life that inspired both the DePasquale's and Arvanitis's to become host families this year.

"Rene was so positive about the experience that we really wanted to reach out and help innocent children," said Tracy Arvanitis, mother of John, 12, and Emily, 11.

"I'm excited that we can share Wilmington's July 4th celebration with the girls. More than anything, I want them to have fun and leave here with hope," said Jane DePasquale, mother of two-year old Melanie and stepmother of 11-year old Alison.

During the night of April 25

and 26, 1986, the explosion of the reactor in Chernobyl released one hundred times more radiation than the atom bombs dropped over Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Approximately 5.5 million people, including more than a million children, continue to live in the contaminated zones. At least 1,800 children and adolescents in the most severely contaminated areas of Belarus have contracted cancer of the thyroid due to the reactor disaster.

Join the Wilmington families on April 30th at the Woburn Sons of Italy for their fundraising dinner and dance event. The cost is \$25 per person. You can also help out by donating items for the auction. Please contact Jane DePasquale at 978-657-7384 for more information.

If you'd like to help in other ways, you can support the host families by driving the children to a medical appointment, cooking meals, or hosting a party at your home.

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School Notes

by Phyllis Nissen

HARD WORK AND SOME PLAY...

Stoneham:

'A very good deed'

"When the children at the Robin Hood School learned about the devastating destruction caused by the Tsunami in Eastern Asia, they like many of us wanted to help," notes the "Stoneham Independent."

"The community awareness group came up with a spare change idea, 'Children Helping Children.' Asking the children to bring in any spare change they had and their challenge was to try and fill a Poland Springs

Cooler bottle. Soon the campaign took on a life of its own. Children brought in paper and plastic bags filled with change, some brought in piggy banks to empty into the large bottle. In two weeks time, the children raised \$1,568.57."

North Reading: a very good thing

"Recently, North Reading High School hosted the North Reading Invitational Academic Decathlon Competition," notes the "North Reading Transcript."

"This is the 16th year North Reading High School hosted the event, which was originated by former North Reading School English teacher Ray Landry. More than 150 students representing 14 large and small high schools from eastern Massachusetts participated.

"Team members received their study materials last June and practiced twice a week in the mornings since October. Although competitions have concluded for this school year, the team's advisor Sarah Carmichael always welcomes new members. Because in certain competitions students compete against students of similar grade point averages, the team needs members representing a variety of grade point averages in order to compete effectively. Information and study materials for the 2005-2006 season will be available from Ms. Carmichael in June."

Lynnfield: a very early call

"The 2005-2006 school calendar was proposed by Superintendent of Schools Dr. Richard Palermo and approved by the School Committee," notes the "Lynnfield Villager."

"After an informal survey

of school administrators, Palermo recommended option three to the School Committee. This calendar option was proposed by School Committee member Jennifer Welter following Palermo's proposal of two other calendar options.

"The first day of the 2005-2006 school year is Wed, Aug. 31 for students. Teachers will begin their school year on Mon., Aug. 29.

"The projected last day of school is Fri., June 23, depending on the number of snow days."

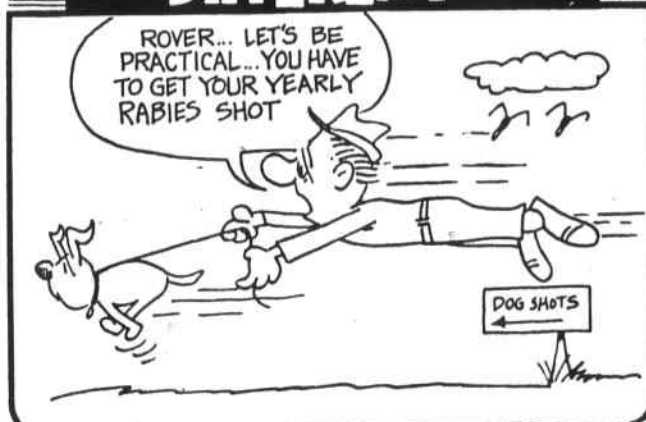
"The Academic Decathlon Contest consists of seven 30-minute tests in Math, Social Science, Art, Economics, Language and Literature, Music and Super Quiz, which covered Astronomy this year. The overall focus of this year's subject matter was the ancient world. In particular ancient Greece and Rome.

"North Reading's Academic Decathlon team made a very strong showing, finishing seventh. Framingham finished first, while last year's winner Shrewsbury finished third right behind second place Franklin. North Reading was particularly strong in the subjects of Art and Music, finishing fourth in each category. North Reading was also surprisingly strong in Economics, with a fifth place finish.

"Every member of the team contributed to North Reading's success. John Deshaies, a junior, earned



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honorable mentions in Social Science, Art, and Economics. Sophomore Aubrey Samost secured honorable mentions in Art and in Language and Literature. Junior Matt Costa won an honorable mention in Economics and sophomore Wesley Hartwell earned an honorable mention in Music. Finally, Nicholas Holsing, the team's only senior, and a four-year team veteran, ended his career by earning honorable mentions in Economics and Music, and also won the Team High Scorer award. Other mem-

bers who competed strongly were juniors Kerrie Stewart and Isaac Shields, and freshmen Megan Sperry and Lauren Shevelin.

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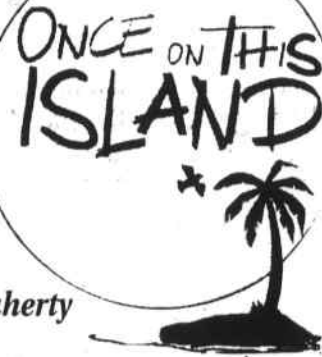
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Movie Reviews by Paul Feely

"FEVER PITCH" A RED SOX SAGA

MOVIE: al, and the Red Sox in particular.
GRADE: ***

The Farrelly brothers, known for their gross-out humor in past films like "There's Something about Mary", turn in a sweet romantic comedy about a love triangle involving a man, a woman - and a major league baseball team.

Jimmy Fallon stars as an East Boston High math teacher who has been obsessed with the Boston Red Sox ever since his uncle took him to his first game at age seven. His uncle passed away and left him two season tickets, which he has held ever since.

Fallon's character falls for a successful businesswoman, played by Drew Barrymore, during the winter months. The two begin dating, and instantly hit it off. Her friends wonder what the problem is with this seemingly Mr. Perfect, but she can't see any shortcomings in his character.

That is, until the baseball season starts. His obsession with anything and everything Red Sox begins to take its toll on them, until Fallon is faced with making a choice between the two loves of his life - one who loves him back, and one who has repeatedly let him down over the course of his lifetime.

The movie is very sweet, almost too much so for its own good at times. The film will bring a smile to the face of any Red Sox fan, but I wonder how it will play across the country, with moviegoers who really don't care about baseball in gener-

Frank Miller's adult-oriented, dark comic series comes to life in vivid, engrossing form on the big screen thanks to his directorial collaboration with Robert Rodriguez and special guest director Quentin Tarrantino.

The highly-anticipated release of the comic-come-to-life explodes onto the scene with all the shady dealings and back-alley action that fans of Miller's series have come to love. The movie was shot with all actors performing against a green screen, so that special effects wizards could later go back and create the entire world they reside in. The result is a comic-book landscape brought to life, as much of the film takes place in black and white with occasional splashes of color to accentuate an aspect of a certain character (such as yellow skin and eyes to show just how evil one of the villains is).

The plot revolves around three different story lines taking place within Sin City, with a long list of today's top actors appearing, such as Bruce Willis, Clive Owen, and a resurrected Mickey Rourke (almost unrecognizable under layers of makeup, but having a good time with his villainous role).

Fans of the series will be impressed with how faithful Miller was to his comic, while others will simply enjoy the stylish way the story is presented.

Movies to S-4

About the Towns

by Phyllis Nissen

WORKING OVER TIME

Way out West:

Reading

"The efforts of a local ad hoc committee have paid off, with Attorney General Tom Reilly's office granting initial approval to a Local Historic District on West Street," notes the Reading edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"The state approval came after the town approved Article 17 at Subsequent Town Meeting last fall, based upon the work of the Ad Hoc West Street Historic District Study Committee."

"The study committee drafted a bylaw to protect the street's historic character of the area while also being mindful of a homeowner's need to have fair and reasonable review procedures in place. According to the bylaw, only alterations to exterior architectural features as visible from a public way are subject to review under set guidelines. Within the bylaw is a listing of features that are excluded from review such as ordinary maintenance and repair, paint colors, landscaping, etc."

"According to research done by the committee prior to the bylaw's passage, Massachusetts now has more than 200 Local Historic Districts in more than 100 communities. The district: creates neighborhood stabilization by discouraging inappropriate alterations; preserves and enhances neighborhood character through pride in ownership; attracts homeowners who appreciate historic properties; and promotes awareness of the street's rich heritage."

"West Street was chosen for such a designation due to its heritage. It was the site of the first settlement in today's Reading and the site for the mustering of the militia on April 19, 1775. The district is a showcase of diverse housing built from the mid-1700's through the Greek Revival and Victorian periods to the varied 20th-century styles."

Weighed with love: Wilmington

"WCTV and the Wilmington Food Pantry teamed up once again for their annual 'Donations from the Heart' food drive to benefit the Wilmington Food Pantry," notes the "Wilmington Town Crier."

"It's been a very favorable response," said Bob DiPalma, volunteer and Pantry Director, as the fourth carload worth of donations was being loaded. "It's one of our best years. There are well over 100 bags."

"As the bags of donations were delivered to the pantry, volunteers unloaded, unpacked, sorted and then restocked the nearly depleted Pantry shelves."

"The 'Donations from the Heart' is more than just a food drive. In return for donations, those who gave had the opportunity to send a special Valentine's message via WCTV's community billboard. Messages were aired

throughout the day on February 14th.

"The food drive took place at Market Basket in Wilmington Plaza between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and noon. At the store, patrons received a list: 'Twenty different ways you can help make this Valentine's Day more special for people in need.'"

"The list was comprised of suggestions for items most needed by Wilmington's Food Pantry. Non-perishable food items, such as cereal and pancake mix, were joined on the list by various types of toiletries, paper goods, and other items."

"WCTV's Amanda Bell arranged the donor's Valentine messages."

"Kids said 'hi' to friends, parents, grandparents; they had fun with it," Bell said. "Luckily there was more food than there were messages...."

Wait a minute: Woburn

"The restoration of the city's First Burial Ground off Woburn Center will be moving ahead but with a reduced budget," notes the Woburn edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"A \$79,875 picket fence was a major item cut in the project."

"The city of Woburn had been awarded a grant of \$45,000 for the first Burial Ground Restoration Project by the state. However, the city is expecting a 50-percent cut in the Massachusetts Preservation Projects Fund (MPPF) grant request, which reflects the experience of other communities who were awarded grants by the Mass. Historical

Walker Kluesing Design Group for 'Landscape architectural consulting services.'

"Mass. Preservation has cut us 50 percent like all the others," said Borchelt to his five-member board, which voted 5-0 to go forward with the \$9,500 initial expenditure.

"The city of Woburn, said Borchelt, must match the \$45,000 in the matching grant project."

"The city's First Burial Ground is to the west of some stores and behind oth-

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Movies

from S-3

MOVIE:
"HOSTAGE"
GRADE: **

Bruce Willis is back in familiar territory here, starring in an action film that also has its fair share of tension and suspense.

Willis once again stars as a cop having a very bad day. As a smalltown police chief in California, Willis carries with him the baggage of his younger days as a hostage negotiator, when a decision he made personally while in a situation led to the deaths of three people, including a very young boy who died in his arms. He has fled from the pressure of the job, and took the chief's position thinking he wouldn't ever have to deal with that type of thing again. Wrong.

Due to circumstances beyond his control he is thrust back into a major hostage situation, after three

punks take a family hostage in their fortress-like home with millions of dollars in cash inside. It turns out the father of the family has been illegally setting up off-shore accounts for some well-placed, powerful people, who don't exactly want their secrets exposed during a police situation.

Thus, Willis learns that his own wife and daughter have also been kidnapped, and he is finds himself in a situation where he must break-up the hostage incident while also obtaining a DVD containing important info, before the other cops on scene do, or his own family will be killed. Just another day at the office.

The plot does get a bit ridiculous toward the end, and the ending itself simply wraps up too nicely, but it's good to see Willis back in the action genre again. He seems comfortable in this role, and it may be a precursor to him taking on the role of John McClane again this fall when

shooting on 'Die Hard 4' reportedly begins.

MOVIE:

"THE RING 2"
GRADE: **

This follow-up to 2002's most frightening film (The Ring) plays like a who's who-for abandoned horror-flick props and icons - one possessed TV set (Poltergeist), one demonic little boy (The Omen), one skeletal aging actress (Carrie) and one girl in urgent need of a shower (The Exorcist).

Only the always-engaging Naomi Watts and some intriguing directorial techniques from acclaimed Japanese auteur Hideo Nakata (Ringu) keep this sequel from seeming like another slapstick stab at the Scary Movie franchise.

Journalist Rachel Keller (Watts) would just as soon forget about the terrifying videotape that killed her son's father and released a bitter well-dwelling phantom (Kelly Stables and Daveigh Chase as Samara).

Towns From S-3

ers on Main Street in the downtown area, just off Park Street. The site is not visible to most passing motorists or pedestrians.

"In recent days, the Woburn Historic Commission reported they received a certificate that the First Burial Ground is now listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

"Borchelt added: 'I am proposing that we use a portion of our contingency for this purpose. One of the purposes of the extra contingency which was used to justify the contingency in our meeting before the City Council's Budget Committee was the need to have funds for unforeseen architectural design, appraisals and other consulting services.'

"The mayor has agreed, said Borchelt, to move forward, despite the reduction, 'based upon my suggestions for reducing the scope of work.'

Athletes & Activities

by Paul Feely

SPORTS SHORTS

•**MIDDLESEX EAST SPORTS WEEKLY TRIVIA**
What sports ball was originally stuffed with boiled feathers? Answer appears elsewhere in this column.

•**READING MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR MIKE O'BRIEN** was named to the First Team All Academic Boys Basketball Team by the Massachusetts Basketball Coaches Association and the Red Auerbach Association.

•**WINCHESTER'S EMMA GOEHRING**, a freshman member of the Trinity College women's swimming and diving team, made significant contributions to the squad during the 2004-2005 season, helping the team to a 11th place finish in the NESCAC Championship Meet. Goehring swam a team-best time of 2:00.36 in the 200-yard freestyle.

•Need some help on this week's trivia question? The answer is one of the following - football, ping pong ball,

"Borchelt's revised budget, in effect, has removed \$104,000 worth of work items from the scope, leaving a total budget 'of approximately \$120,000...."

"About the Towns" covers recent events in the 10-town Middlesex East area. Because Middlesex East deadlines are early, please check the front sections of this paper for up-to-date information about your city or town. We also welcome original material - please send it to Phyllis Nissen, "About the Towns," Middlesex East Supplement, Box 240, Reading, MA 01867 or to notestowns@comcast.net.

baseball, golf ball.

•**READING'S AL SANTOSUOSSO** is on the men's tennis roster at Stonehill College this spring. In recent match action, he was on the winning end of a number three doubles match, 8-1, as Stonehill defeated Southern New Hampshire 8-1 in a Northeast-10 Conference dual-match on the SNHU courts. He was also on the losing end of a number three doubles match against Bryant College, as Stonehill fell 6-3.

•**NORTH READING'S ANDREW RICHARDSON** picked up his first collegiate save as a member of the Merrimack College baseball team, when he pitched two scoreless innings over the final two frames of a 4-2 win over Saint Anselm in a Northeast-10 baseball contest at Warrior Field in North Andover.

•**THE BURLINGTON ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME** has announced the inductees for the Class of 2005. The inductees are as follows:

- Philip (Tiny) Canelos
- Mary Jo Curtin Schorr
- Peggy Hanlon Rizza
- Sean McGowan
- Ed Mitchell
- Maureen Moroney
- Wally Paige
- Eric Petersen
- Jeremy Royds
- Chris Taylor
- Don Tocci
- George Yore

The Awards Banquet will be held at the Marriott Hotel on Mall Road in Burlington on Thursday, October 6 at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$40 per person and are available by calling Ed Gillis, Burlington Athletic Director at 781-273-7077 at Burlington High School.

•**WINCHESTER'S MISSY SWYMER**, a four-year all-star pitcher-outfielder for the Winchester High School softball team, is a member of the Endicott College softball team.

•**STONEHAM'S SARA SMITH** won a super tiebreaker 11-9 to lead the Merrimack College women's tennis team to a 5-4 win over LeMoyne in a Northeast-10 match. Smith came back from a one-set deficit to win 4-6, 7-6 (3), (11-9) at fifth singles to give the Warriors the final point of the day.

•**READING'S WILLIAM HUNTER** recently finished first at the Eastern Massachusetts Bridge Association (EMBA) Sectional Tournament. He won the Open Pairs event at the Winter Sectional held in Watertown. EMBA's next tournament is April 15-17 at the Topsfield Fairgrounds, Route 1 (exit 50 from Route 95). Players will compete at all levels, from beginner to expert. Carole Carlson is host of the event. For more information about the schedule, contact her at 978-231-3448, or go to www.acblemba.org.

•**ANSWER TO THIS WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION:** The original golf balls were stuffed with boiled feathers.

•**DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING WE DON'T?** If you have information about a local athlete that you would like to see appear in this column, please email it to readingchronicle@comcast.net, or mail it to: Paul Feely, Middlesex East Sports, P.O. Box 240, Reading, Ma., 01867, or call Paul at 781-944-2200 between 7 am and 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday, or fax information at 781-942-0884.

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A few helpful hints when selling your home:

- Σ Clear out any clutter from each room
- Σ Put away personal photos
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JIM MCCUE AT COMEDY ESCAPE

Dick Doherty's Comedy Escape at the Doubletree Hotel 50 Warren Street in Lowell will present April 15 and 16 Brad Mastrangelo, Lauren Verge and Joe List; April 22 and 23 Bob Gautreau, Frank Delpizzo and MYQ Kaplan, April 29 and 30 Bob Seibel, Tom Clark and Mitch Stinson.

At the Beantown Comedy Vault the following entertainers will perform: Tom Dustin hosts Open Mike Night, April 14 Gregg Howell, April 15 and 16 Artie Januario and Sunday April 17 Joe Lost hosts Boston's wildest Open Mike Night. April 21 Greg Howell, April 22 and 23 Jim Colliton, April 24 Tony Moschetto hosts Open Mike Night. April 28 Greg Howell, April 29 and 30 EJ Murphy and May 1 MYK Kaplin hosts Open Mike Night.

ARTS AND CRAFTS EXHIBIT IN STONEHAM

Stoneham Arts and Crafts at the Stoneham Public Library, 431 Main Street will hold its annual exhibit on April 29 from noon to 5 p.m. and April 30 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Admission is free, wheelchair accessible. There will be a coffee corner and sales table.

Members will be displaying their crafts.

NATIONAL DAY OF PUPPETRY CELEBRATED

The Boston Area Guild of Puppetry will celebrate the National Day of Puppetry at the Children's Museum of Boston on April 17 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Over 40 puppeteers and puppet enthusiasts will turn the museum into a fantasy of puppets for the day, and they will be joined by Museum staff who will assist and participate.

There will be performances by some of New England's

finest puppeteers, demonstrations of shadow puppets, hand and rod puppets, top theatre, humanettes, masks, a puppet exhibit, photos, videos and more. There will be puppets to make, how to and hands on activities and puppet construction for children and families.

There will be 2 giant puppet parades in front of the museum at noon and 3 p.m. Everyone is invited to join in the parade, line up in front of the Museum 15 minutes before the parade begins. Bring your own puppet or carry one of ours.

For more information contact Festival chair, Diane Lordas at 603-529-7623.

CREATIVE CARD MAKING IN WAKEFIELD

Wakefield Community Education is offering a 2 night seminar on creative card making. Students will learn how to create beautiful handmade cards with rubber stamps, brass stencils and various accessories.

Classes will be on Mondays, April 25 - May 16 from 7 to 9 p.m. in room 1307 at Wakefield High School. Fee is \$36, plus a \$5 material fee payable the first night.

To register or obtain additional information call 781-246-6444.

LIONS TO HOST 5 MILE ROAD RACE

The Reading Lions Club Journey for Sight, 5 Mile Road Race will be held on Saturday, May 7 at 10 a.m., rain or shine. The place is Burbank Ice Arena, 51 Symonds Way, Reading (off Haverhill St.) The pre-entry fee is \$12, \$15 day of race.

The groups are: male and female, male and female wheelchair, 18 and under, 19-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, 70 and over.

T-shirts will be given to the first 100 entrants only. Entry limited to 500.

Contact Bruce Austin 781-944-3867 or ausline@AOL.com.

UNION CHURCH FLEA MARKET

Wakefield-Greenwood Union Church will hold its annual Spring Flea Market on April 23 from 9 - 2 located on the corner of Oak and Main St. Entrance is on the Oak Street side.

The Spring Flea Market has become very popular event in the community in recent years. There are a variety of tables ranging from baseball cards, vintage jewelry, doll clothes, table lamps etc.

Come in and browse. There will be a snack bar, quick sandwiches for lunch and donuts and coffee.

For additional information call the church at 781-245-0321.

MERRIMACK VALLEY BAND CONCERT

The Merrimack Valley Concert Band once again raises the roof of the Unitarian Universalist Society of Rockport with a rousing performance of such music as the Symphonic Duke, Hawaii 5-0, Sponge Bob, Shrek Dance party, Lord of the Rings, Deep River, Funky See - Funky Do, musicals, marches and more.

Donations \$10, tickets available at the door. For more information call 978-546-2989.

BOATING SAFETY COURSE IN BILLERICA

The Billerica Rod and Gun Club, 216 Pond Street, Billerica, will host a 5 session safe boating course on May 5, 12, 19, 26 and June 2. (All 5 sessions required for State Certification.) The time is 7-9 p.m.

Pre-registration is required with MA Environmental Police, Boat and Recreation Vehicle

Bureau at 508-790-9360 or 617-727-8760.

Boat Massachusetts is offered at no charge. The primary purpose is to foster safe boat operation through increased awareness of required safety equipment, safe boating practices and legal responsibilities.

Youth 12 - 15, who successfully complete the course will be issued a Safety Certificate allowing them to operate a motorboat without adult supervision, as required by state law.

This course will also satisfy the state requirements for personal watercraft users who are 16 or 17.

BRADLEY JONES TO SPEAK AT NAMI APRIL 25

Representative Bradley H. Jones, House Minority Leader, will speak to the Eastern Middlesex affiliate of NAMI on April 25. This meeting is rescheduled from Jan. 24, which was cancelled by blizzard.

NAMI meets on the second and fourth Mondays of the month to provide support to families and individuals affected by mental illness.

Meetings begin at 7 p.m. at Horizon House, 78 Water St., Wakefield and are open to all. For more information call 978-664-4991.

CREATIVE ARTS VACATION WORKSHOP

Have fun with a creative vacation at Creative Arts in a production of Robin Hood's Sherwood Shenanigans.

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Students must pre-register by April 14. For more information or to register call 781-942-9600 or www.creativearts-forkids.org.

FACULTY RECITAL IN WINCHESTER

Winchester Community Music School faculty recital featuring pianist Barbara Lileurance in a concert of "Young Composers Past and Present" including works by

Brahms, Debussy and Thorkeldottir will be held on Monday, April 25 at 7 p.m.

The location is Winchester Community Music School, 407 Highland Ave., Winchester. Free admission. For information call 781-721-2950 or www.winchestermusic.org.

SONS OF ITALY DINNER DANCE

On Saturday, April 23 the Burlington Sons of Italy Charity Fund Raiser Dinner Dance will be held from 7:30 - 11 p.m. at the Woburn Sons of Italy Hall, Lexington Street, Woburn.

A night of food, fun, entertainment and dance. Entertainment by Barry Mooney, catering by Henry's Catering. For tickets call 781-272-7727, 781-391-5046 or 781-272-0529.

REVOLVING MUSEUM'S EVOLVING MUSE

Spring has sprung and the Lowell Revolving Museum is celebrating families. Make sure to bring yours to the newest exhibition "Family Rooms" and experience the brand new hours: Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. (5-7 p.m. is free.)

You can refer to <http://www.revolvingmuseum.org/NewsLetter/march05/march05.htm>

DEVLIN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

The Trustees of the Devlin Medical Scholarship Fund remind eligible candidates that application forms are available for the 2005-2006 academic year.

Applicants must be accepted at an accredited medical or nursing school and must reside in one of the following 8 towns: Melrose, North Reading, Reading, Stoneham, Wakefield, Wilmington, Winchester or Woburn. Students in pre-med programs or other health-related fields are not eligible.

Candidates are judged on the basis of personal character, scholastic standing and financial need. The deadline for applying is June 1. To request

an application contact Mrs. Jo Devlin, 34 Pleasant St. Stoneham Ma. 02180 or leave a message at 781-438-7828 including name, address, phone, programs and school, or visit www.devlinmedicalschoarship.org.

GENEALOGISTS MEET IN LYNNFIELD

The next meeting of the Essex Genealogists Society will be held at the Centre Congregational Church, Main St., Lynnfield on Saturday, April 16.

Social hour at noon. Bring a bag lunch. Drinks and finger desserts provided. Program is from 1 - 2:30 p.m.

The lecture is Sequestered Shelves - An Overview of the Manuscripts held by NEHG's R. Stanton Avery Special Collections Dept. The speaker is Timothy Salls, NEHGS, Archivist and author.

Guests are welcome for no fee. Handicapped access. Parking behind church. For more information call Jean Holiday at 978-922-9090.

SPRING CABARET ON APRIL 17TH

A Spring Cabaret will be hosted by the Merrimack Valley Chorus on Sunday, April 17 at 2 p.m. at the Tewksbury/Wilmington Elks Hall in Tewksbury.

Bid on fabulous gifts (like Red Sox tickets) in the silent auction or take part in the 50/50 raffle. Proceeds will be used to help send MVC to the Harmony Classics Competition this July in Greenville, S.C. Enjoy a preview of their competition package and also hear local quartets perform. Make a donation and sing with your favorite quartet!

Tickets are \$5 per person and may be purchased at the door or in advance by sending a check payable to MVC to An-Chian Kao, 12 Evergreen Lane, Andover, Ma. 01810.

For more information visit www.merrimackvalleychorus.org or call Mary at 781-862-6634.

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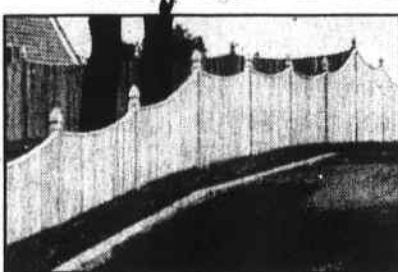


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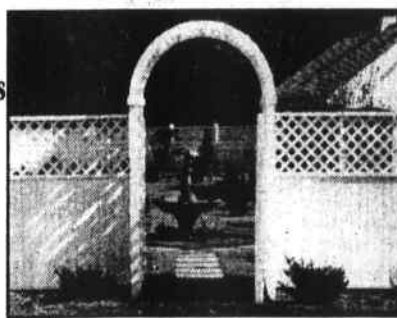


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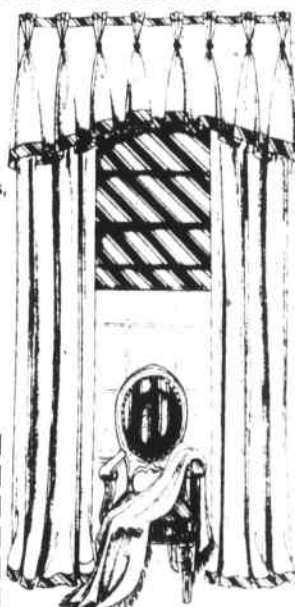
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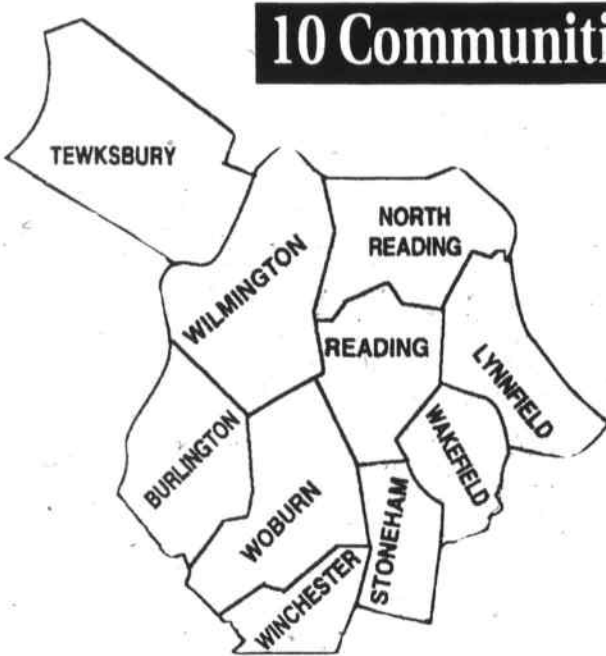
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Smart ways to help tots enjoy learning

Few parents might imagine that when their baby first opens his or her eyes, he is actually preparing for that very first day of school.

Research shows that children are born ready to learn and they're naturally curious beings who are motivated to make sense of the world around them. In fact, the brain is the only organ that is not fully formed at birth.

Children learn best through their everyday experiences with the people whom they love. And experts say that children learn even better when the learning is associated with fun.

One organization, Zero to Three, offers these tips for helping children develop skills and to become eager learners.

Language and Literacy Skills
Language provides the foundation for the development of literacy skills.

- Talk together. Copy your baby's sounds and encourage him or her to imitate you. Point out and name the things you see together.

- Read books. It's never too early to start sharing books. Let your child explore in whatever way they like - even if it's chewing on the cover! Let your child hold the book and point to the pictures as you read.

Thinking Skills
Children are born eager to understand how the world works.

- Encourage your child to explore objects and toys in different ways. Touching, banging and shaking objects serves as a way to learn about the way things work.

- Incorporate math games into your everyday routines. Count the stairs as you climb them or ask if there are enough crackers for everyone at the dinner table.

Self-Control
Self-control is the ability to express and manage emotions in appropriate ways. It is essential for school success and healthy overall development.

- Teach acceptable behaviors and tell/show your child what he can do, not just what he cannot do. For example, tell your child that beachballs can be thrown outside, but not when you're indoors.

- Give choices. Present him with acceptable options and let him choose. If a decision is really yours, don't offer a choice. For instance, say "It's bedtime," instead of, "Are you ready for bed?"

Self Confidence
When children feel competent and believe in themselves, they are typically more willing

to take on new challenges.

- Establish routines with your child. Most children feel safe and in control of their world when events are predictable.

- Let your child be the problem solver. Give her the support she needs to solve a problem, but be sure not to solve it for him or her.

Zero to Three is a non-profit organization which promotes the healthy development of babies and toddlers.

With funding from the Met-Life Foundation, the group has developed a booklet for parents entitled *Getting Ready for School Begins at Birth*. To download a copy or to obtain additional information, go online and visit www.zerotothree.org

Fitness flash: ten minutes may be enough

Another popular fitness belief bites the dust, according to several recent studies which revealed that when it comes to exercise, more isn't necessarily better. In fact, shorter workouts may be the key to better health and fitness.

So why is shorter better? Experts say that it has to do with how likely you are to stick with a fitness regimen and how hard you actually work while exercising.

A Brown University study, for example, concluded that people who were just beginning a new fitness program were more likely to stick with a shorter workout routine.

Another analysis conducted by the University of New Hampshire at Durham found that exercisers who chose two shorter treadmill sessions over one long session worked harder. And the payoff from that harder workout was a better boost in their aerobic capacity and endurance.

Similarly, researchers at the University of Missouri found that ten minutes of brisk walking or jogging was more effective than thirty continuous minutes.

The shorter workouts more effectively helped to clear the arteries of triglycerides, which can elevate one's risk of heart attack.

Yet more evidence supporting the benefits of a short workout comes from a Harvard School of Public Health study, which revealed that fifteen-minute cardio workouts were as effective in reducing heart disease as a single thirty-minute workout.

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Medicare now pays for cholesterol screening

A total of thirty-nine million Americans who receive Medicare benefits now have access to an important tool for fighting heart disease - Cholesterol blood tests.

Heart disease is the leading cause of death in the United States and senior citizens account for more than eighty percent of those deaths.

An estimated 25 million Medicare-eligible senior citizens suffer from coronary heart disease, while 800,000 seniors die annually, according to the National Cholesterol Education Program.

Today, for the first time ever, all Medicare-eligible beneficiaries have guaranteed access to office-based cholesterol blood tests which are a vital tool in the early detection of cardiovascular diseases.

As part of the Medicare Modernization Act (MMA), all Medicare beneficiaries will have access to cholesterol screening and all new members will be covered for a physical examination as well, which includes the cholesterol blood test.

"Cholesterol screening is vital when it comes to identifying individuals who are at-risk because treatment has been proven to save lives," explained Lori Mosca, MD, PhD, director of preventative cardiology at New York-Presbyterian Hospital.

"Providing seniors (who comprise the population segment with the highest risk of developing heart problems) with access to screening can have a tremendous impact on the burden of heart disease," Mosca added.

Notably, more than forty per-

cent of patients die from an initial heart attack.

Previously, Medicare beneficiaries were only covered for cholesterol tests if they had already been diagnosed with heart disease, stroke, diabetes or other disorders which are associated with cholesterol.

In many cases, eligible seniors were already the victims of conditions that cholesterol screening might have detected and treatment may have prevented.

"We encourage all Medicare members to call their doctor and take advantage of this improved access to cholesterol testing, as we know it will significantly improve the quality of cardiac health care for seniors," said Mark Wurster, MD, director of Point of Care Testing at the Ohio State University Primary Care Network.

He added, "In our practice, we selected the Cholestech LDX system because it generates results in five minutes that

are as accurate as an independent lab. This allows us to test for cholesterol, review the results and provide counsel on treatment options all in the same office visit.

Using a single drop of blood, the Cholestech LDX office-based system measures a patient's lipid profile to determine overall cholesterol levels and the patient's risk for heart disease.

The lipid profile includes total cholesterol levels; high-density lipoprotein (HDL), or "good" cholesterol; low-density lipoprotein (LDL), or "bad" cholesterol; and triglycerides, a form of fat that often results in high total cholesterol, therefore increasing a patient's risk for heart disease.

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New spring color trends for 2005

Yes, it is not a lie, spring has finally arrived and everyone including the fashion and interior design industry is jumping with color excitement! Lynne Greene, President of Lynne Greene Interiors says, "Unlike in years past where New Englander waited ten years later to introduce certain color schemes into their homes, now they have become the frontrunners for setting trends especially when comes to their own sense

of interior design style".

The following is a brief description of some of the latest trends found this spring in the home furnishings, window coverings, and even in the kitchen design and carpeting industry.

CITRUS PUNCH-

Think cherries, tangerines, pink lemonade, grapefruit, and kiwi and you have a color palette that will water your taste

buds!!!! Think Desi Arnaz and his Cuban band and Carmen Miranda with her dancing fruit. True red colors, orange, tangerine, hot pink, bright citrus yellows, and kiwi green. Fun colors very reminiscent of the 1950's and early 1960's.

CHOCOLATE BROWN -

While people were hot for black in the 1980's; the new black for the year 2005 is chocolate brown. With the popularity of Starbucks and many gourmet coffee shops, folks are bringing the warmth of brown into their homes and clothing. Brown is a color that never really goes out of style. The other color trend with chocolate is pure white. Think of cappuccino or hot chocolate with a dab of whipped cream or a coconut turned inside out.

This color scheme is also being blended with colors never thought of before such as sky blue. Top New York designers Vincent Wolfe and Mariette Himes Gomez introduced this color scheme to their clients and the clients raved about it. This rich and

soothing color trend has entered the local design scene. Burlington designers, Lynne Greene and Jo-Anne Lucas of Lynne Greene Interiors have noticed their clients showing an interest in these rich tones for their homes.

REALLY RED-

True red; not burgundy, not magenta, not mauve, but pure red has made a bold comeback. Now it is being shown in the way red's personality is supposed to be, bold, loud, fun, aggressive. For people who are still a little afraid of it but don't like the seriousness of burgundy, try watermelon. Like chocolate brown, red is a bold contrast against pure white. Or, it is combined with its true partner in crime, green. However, it is shown with bold greens like Kelly or kiwi, or apple. Like citrus punch colors, this is not for the faint at heart. Don't show it with beige, or hunter green, or olive; show it in its purest form. Jo-Anne Lucas of Lynne Greene Interiors says, "This color scheme is the number one request from my condo clients and

baby boomer clients. After so much neutral in their lives from the 1980's and 1990's the first request they have when talking color is a request for a bright red sofa!"

HARVEST HUES-

Autumn never really goes away, especially here in New England. This color scheme is very similar to the colors above, however added with a touch of spice and warmth. Unlike the 70's colors (harvest gold, avocado green, naugahide brown), this color scheme is inviting and doesn't look like your mother's color schemes. Colors such as spice red and pumpkin orange are mixed with sages, olive greens, warm browns. While the above color schemes mix with white for the punch, black accents add the pizzazz to these colors. Benjamin Moore describes its harvest colors as gold tones: Chestertown Buff, Marblehead Gold, and Decatur Buff; green tones: Tate Olive, Eucalyptus Leaf, Dry Sage, and brown tones: Van Buren Brown, Mocha Brown, and Java. Think apple cider, apple pie and

colorful gourds.

MIND, BODY AND SOUL-

Any colors that naturally sooth the body and its soul. Colors such as Aqua, Sage Green, and Periwinkle are being found in entries, some bedrooms and living rooms. Ms. Greene has created recent interiors for several of her clients who are either stay at home mothers or clients who home school their children. Clients who crave a soothing feeling when they walk into a room tend to lean toward this color scheme.

EMOTIONAL COLORS

While all colors attract the emotions one way or the other, the following colors are often emotionally soothing. With the growing trend of beatifying ourselves such as plastic surgery, colors such as beiges, pinky beiges, soft gold, and shades of coral are becoming very popular in rooms such as bathrooms and bedrooms according to Lynne Greene Interiors designer, Jo-Anne Lucas.

According to Lynne Greene, "the public is turning to interior designers to hire because ultimately the client wishes to develop their own color personality." Unlike the trends that they followed in the past, clients wish to create their own color scheme unique to their personalities.

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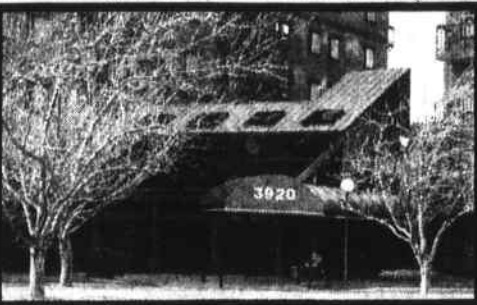
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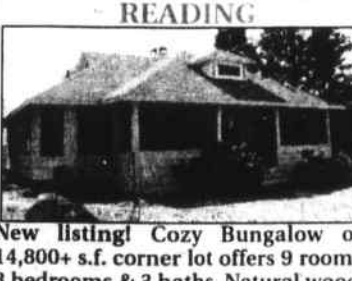
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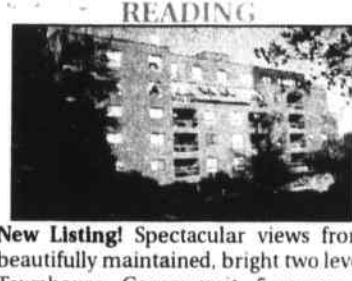
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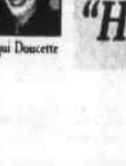
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"Bob is enthusiastic and his friendly and courteous approach are important qualities in the real estate business. He is knowledgeable about the communities that surround us, market trends and the economic conditions that affect the marketplace. He recognizes the importance of skillful marketing and customer/client attention" states David Hurley of Boardwalk.

Bob is a member of the Eastern Middlesex Association of Realtors, and the MLS Property Information Network. He welcomes the opportunity to assist those buyers and sellers

Diamond Medallion for DeWolfe

Patricia DeWolfe of Carlson GMAC Real Estate in Reading was honored during the recent GMAC Real Estate Regional Awards Breakfast at the Marriott Hotel in Burlington.

DeWolfe is one of a select group of GMAC Real Estate sales professionals receiving honors for her superior performance in real estate sales during 2004.

"Pat is one of the top performance-proven professionals within the GMAC Real Estate network," said Joseph Capriotti, President and CEO of Carlson GMAC Real Estate.

"Pat has demonstrated her commitment to providing a comprehensive service experience, using the tools, systems and programs offered by GMAC Real Estate. I am honored to present this award to Pat - a premier service provider [who is] dedicated to exceeding the expectations of clients and customers."

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realize their homeowner dreams. Bob can be contacted at the Boardwalk Office, (781) 944-7820 Extension 439.



Buyers Representative (CBR); Certified Residential Specialist (CRS); Graduate of the Real Estate Institute (GRI); and Seniors Real Estate Specialist (SRES). And within the GMAC family, she is a Premier Service and Relocation certified agent.

Her professional affiliations include membership in the National Association of Realtors (NAR); she serves as an alternate director with the Massachu-

setts Association of Realtors (MAR); she was recently appointed to serve as the director of the 2005 Eastern Middlesex Association of Realtors (EMAR); and is a member of the statewide Multiple Listing Service (MLS/PIN).

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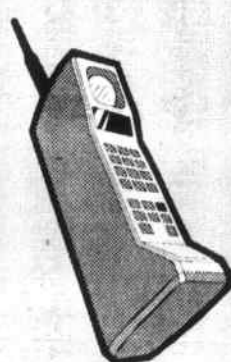
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Rita Manuel, Senior Vice President and Manager of the Stoneham based regional office of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage, is pleased to name Elaine D'Ambrosio Akerberg as Broker of the Month for February in recognition of her outstanding real estate performance and generating the highest number real estate sales.

Elaine is a member of Eastern Middlesex Realtors Association, Massachusetts Association of Realtors and the National Realtors Association. She is a graduate of Stoneham High School and Boston College, and



ambassador for Coldwell Banker cares, a non-profit charitable organization and a certified relocation specialist. Elaine can be reached at 781-446-9749.

Got the tools? Get to work!

Whether they were a holiday gift, a birthday present or a gift that served as a subtle reminder to finish those projects around the house, many new power tools have yet to see the light of day.

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North Reading

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Time has been so kind to this home. It has seen numerous occupancies since being built. A mysterious controversy surrounds the exact year the property was built. A deceased local historian and writer, (Leo Murphy) traced the property's roots and speculates it was built around 1700, while a local historian has yet to determine the exact year but this charming home in North Reading appears none the worse for its nearly three centuries of wear and tear.

Owners have cared for and loved this home with a far-reaching devotion. Previous owners spent years restoring and renovating it while leaving the integrity of the original structure intact.

Come home to a classic saltbox colonial with its picket fence enclosing a spacious back yard that looks out to wild woods where deer and small animals roam.

An updated kitchen that was painstakingly reproduced and features beautiful cabinetry, modern appliances with wide pine floorboards, and tiny square nails used in the boards.

Enter the breakfast area with its subtle colors and the glass china cabinet door which, upon close examination reveal bubbles and lumps reminiscent of antique hand-blown glass. Enjoy your favorite repeat while overlooking the yard.

The square design of the original Federal was four rooms, two down and two up flanking a central stair. The first major addition was a two story saltbox added in approximately 1850. A later 19th century addition added to the north area is believed to have been a part of a local store.

A first floor laundry and full bath are tucked away behind a door off the kitchen.

The present owners took great pains in creating this wonderful laundry room with cabinets and a broom closet.

Upon your formal entry into the home your view is captured by the living room

of the living room. A bright cheerful room overlaid with wall to wall cream carpeting.

The second bedroom is across the narrow hall and behind the attic stairs. It's decorated with small flow-



with its low ceilings and four Original posts which grace the corners in true Federal style. original decorative coverings hide the old supporting beams deemed unsightly by the first inhabitants.

Old, wide 'pumpkin pine' boards are still on the floor. The present occupants as a respite from the day to day hassle enjoy a potential dining room as they sit by the fireplace and enjoy the ambiance of easier days.

A set of stairs lead to the second floor which has four bedrooms. The master bedroom echoes the architecture

ered wallpaper and also has its floors covered with creamy carpeting.

At some point in time one of the owners added a second floor to the saltbox creating additional living space on the 2nd floor and expanding its use. A full bath that has been renovated in soft hues of green is conveniently located between all bedrooms at the end of the hall. A second floor study or nursery is adjacent with the slightly curved ceiling of an original saltbox.

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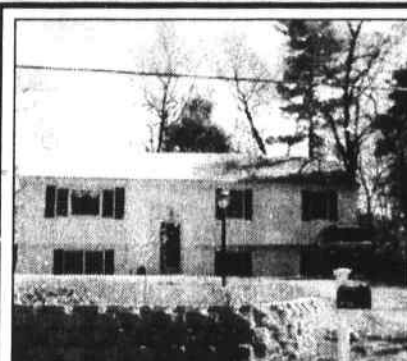
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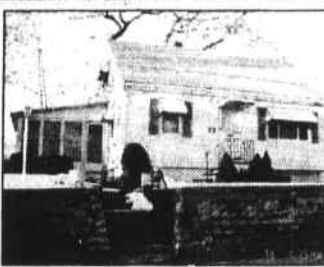
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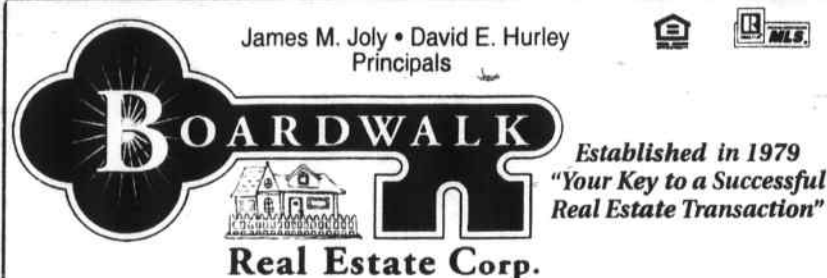
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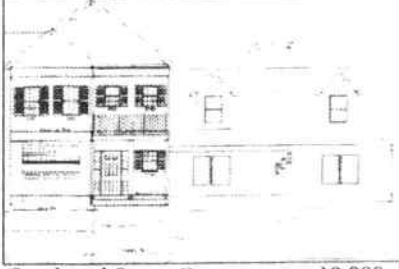
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Hurley EMAR President

At the Annual Installation of Officers and Directors of the Eastern Middlesex Association of Realtors (EMAR), David E. Hurley, office principal of Boardwalk Real Estate Corp., with offices in Reading, Wakefield and Woburn, was sworn-in as president of EMAR.

Hurley has been an active realtor member of the association since 1977.

He has served as the chairman of the Membership, Education and Orientation committees at the local Realtor Political Action Committee (RPAC) and

he also participates as a member of the Finance, Technology and Strategic Planning committees of the local association. Additionally, Hurley is a member of the Professional Standards Hearing Tribunal.

Hurley currently serves on the 2005 Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Association of Realtors (MAR), as well as the chairman of the Technology Committee.

His active participation in the community includes associations with the Reading Technology Fund, the Citizens' Scholar-



DAVID E. HURLEY

ship Fund of Wakefield and Reading Recreation.

As president of the EMAR, Hurley looks forward to continuing in the growth of the organization and he's also seeking to

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Ellsworth blends old & new

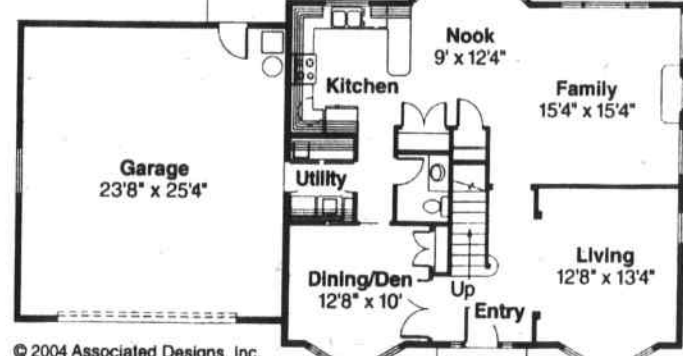
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Ignore the garage, and the Ellsworth has the evocative symmetry of a colonial home. Careful scrutiny reveals it's also missing the typical bookend chimneys. First floor windows expand out in graceful bays, adding a contemporary flavor.

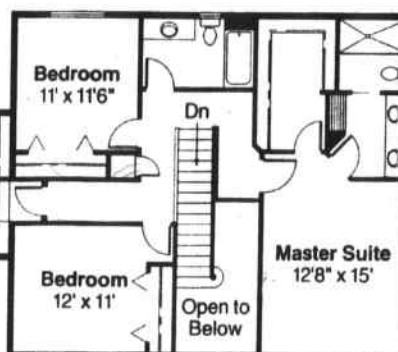
Inside, the plan blends elements of the traditional with the modern. Tradition is seen in the placement of dining, living and bedrooms. The well-separated formal gathering spaces sit across the entry from each other at the front of the house, and all three bedrooms are upstairs.

The rest of the floor plan is totally in sync with present-day needs and preferences. One spacious informal living space spans the entire rear. The family room, where high windows flank a gas fireplace, merges seamlessly with the bayed nook and generously sized kitchen. High windows flank the gas fireplace, and more natural light washes in through wide windows that fill much of the rear wall.

In the kitchen, lazy Susan shelving provides easy access to a corner cabinet, and plenty of extra storage space is available in the pantry and broom closet. Sliders in the



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nook offer direct patio access, handy for outdoor dining. A powder room is mere steps away, as are laundry appliances, located in a pass-through space that links with the garage. This room is outfitted with a counter, cabinets,

Ellsworth

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and a deep sink. Upstairs, the Ellsworth's master suite fills the right side. Amenities include: a large bathroom with dual vanity, privately enclosed shower and toilet, plus a huge walk-in closet, nearly the same size as the bathroom. Secondary bedrooms share a smaller bathroom. The hallway between them leads to a deep, skylit bonus room over the garage.

For a review plan, including scaled floor plans, elevations, section and artist's conception, send \$25 to Associated Designs, 1100 Jacobs Dr., Eugene, OR 97402. Specify the Ellsworth 30-222 and include a return address. A catalog with over 400 plans is \$15. Call (800) 634-0123, or visit www.associateddesigns.com.

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AMIE CAFFERTY

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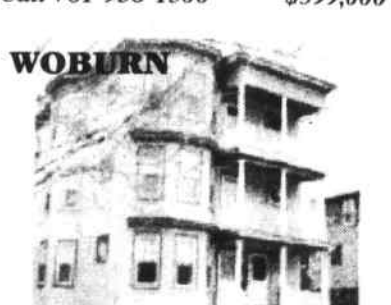
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Real Estate Transfers

-BURLINGTON-

Median Price: \$380,000

1 LAURIE LANE was sold to Heideh Ahari and William Schifone by James Minchello for \$729,900.

-LYNNFIELD-

Median Price: \$489,000

5 ASHLEY COURT was sold to Frank and Angela Costa by Monastiero Consulting Services LLC for \$1,800,000.

925 MAIN STREET was sold to Denise Hamel-Cassidy and Brian Cassidy by Vera Eubanks Lt. and H. Laurie Nester Jr. Tr. for \$364,000.

20 THOMAS ROAD was sold to Noel and Amy Fagan by Carolyn and Robert MacKenrick for \$675,000.

2 WESTOVER DRIVE was sold to Fishing Cv. LLC by Ann and George Lundstedt for \$725,000.

-NORTH READING-

Median Price: \$375,000

287 ELM STREET was sold to Ekaterini Papalimberis and John L. Makris by GBD Rt. and Daniel Smith Tr. for \$658,000.

-READING-

Median Price: \$424,000

36 CHESTNUT ROAD was sold to David Savio by John Edson for \$350,000.

32 DAVIS LANE was sold to Carla Mattuchio and Steven Mattuchio by Maryanne and William Rivers for \$580,000.

54 GROVE STREET was sold to Matthew King and Stephanie King by David Savio for \$395,000.

58 LAWRENCE ROAD was sold to Kristin Lanzi and Paul Lanzi by Anson Builders Inc. for \$681,000.

8 MILTON ROAD was sold to Patricia Guanci and Stephen Therrien by Kristin Lanzi and Paul Lanzi Jr. for \$427,000.

6 SUMNER CHENEY PLACE U:6 was sold to Janet Fernan-

dez-Dalelio by Cameron Houston and Danielle Houston for \$234,200.

-STONEHAM-

Median Price: \$409,500

6 GLENDALE ROAD was sold to Donald Mazzeo by Angelo and Dennis Racioppi for \$1,500.

10 HILLSIDE ROAD was sold to Pele James and Phanenca Babio by Hillside Rt. and Philip Vita for \$556,000.

597 MAIN STREET was sold to Ann Marie Schepis by Stonegate Ests. LLC for \$425,000.

5 RAYNER CIRCLE was sold to Teresa Penta and Vincenzo Paolini by Annita and William Kelley for \$435,000.

-TEWKSBURY-

Median Price: \$376,150

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1085 ANDOVER STREET was sold to Judy O'Brien by Pablo and Xiomara Nieves for \$342,000.

30 BARRY DRIVE was sold to Patricia and Walter Nunes by Michael Connell for \$419,900.

25 DRUID HILL AVENUE was sold to Jessica Rose by David and Kathleen Powers for \$315,000.

74 EMERALD COURT U:74 was sold to Margaret and Robert Schleicher by Stonewood LLC for \$479,900.

30 FOREST AVENUE was sold to Daniel Hogan by Michael Morris and Renee Brooks for \$310,000.

26 JUNIPER LANE was sold to Lucia Resendes by Kathleen Colbert and Kathleen Moriconi for \$335,000.

29 MERRIMACK MEADOW LANE U:29 was sold to Kevin Sul-

Transfers to S-14

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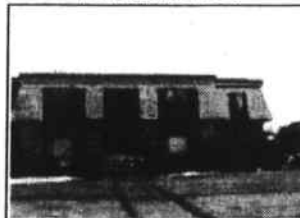
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Transfers from S-13

livan by Eric Johnson for \$264,000.

61 PRESERVATION LANE was sold to Preservation Group LLC by MK Rt. and Robert G. Scarano Tr. for \$100,000.

-WAKEFIELD-

Median Price: \$394,900

103 HARRISON AVENUE was sold to Angela and Charles Sofronas by Bramac Dev. T. and Frank Bramante Tr. for \$140,000.

974 MAIN STREET U:974 was sold to Anna Cantone and Theresa Poto by Bec. Dev. T. and Timothy Barletta Tr. for \$357,500.

99 MYRTLE AVENUE was sold to Janice and Paul Servedio by Dorothy Frances Brackley for \$350,000.

6 SALISBURY ROAD L:67B was sold to Dibiase Builders Inc. by James Parece for \$135,000.

-WILMINGTON-

Median Price: \$371,000

1 FORDHAM ROAD was sold to International Ft. Church Inc. by Principal Life Insurance Co. for \$7,150,000.

42 MILL ROAD was sold to Michele and Randall Davis by

Phillips Common LLC for \$871,050.

11 SOMERVILLE AVENUE was sold to Bonnie Pray and James Welch by Michele and Randall Davis for \$460,000.

-WINCHESTER-

Median Price: \$650,000

1 CHESTER STREET was sold to Kimberley and Michael Farina by Arthur Charles Staffiere and Maria Anna Staffiere for \$588,000.

365 CROSS STREET was sold to Seaver Prop. LLC by Mohan Saini for \$565,000.

50 EMERSON ROAD was sold to Michele and Paul Wiley by Marcella Smith T. and Marcella Smith for \$680,000.

9 HERRICK STREET was sold to Caroline Foote and William Breckwoldt by Faustina Rowan Tr. and George Rowan Tr. for \$1,390,200.

4 RAVENSCROFT ROAD was sold to NRT Relocation LLC by Helene LaPlante and Jean Francois Courville for \$1,795,000.

4 RAVENSCROFT ROAD was sold to Cara and Douglas Mehne by NRT Relocation LLC for \$1,661,000.

-WOBURN-

Median Price: \$383,000

29 ARLINGTON ROAD U:11 was sold to Dracut Rt. and Thomas Bardascino Tr. by FNMA for \$160,000.

69 ARLINGTON ROAD was sold to Anne Berger by Eleanor Martin T. and Edward Murray Jr. for \$555,000.

12 BEDFORD ROAD was sold to Junior Jules by Builders Land Co. LLC for \$355,350.

COVENTRY LANE was sold to Jeanne and John Pacios by Coventry Builders LLC for \$748,000.

18 ELM STREET was sold to L. Sundaresan and Ramya Jayaraman by Seaver Prop. LLC for \$437,000.

6 MAWN DRIVE was sold to Kar Rt. and Paula Riley by Denise Pedulla for \$750,000.

33 MILL STREET was sold to Cynthia and Keith Adams by Vincent Brown for \$325,000.

31 MONTVALE AVENUE U:7 was sold to Frederick and Mary Landry by Harris Daniel Est. and John Harris for \$183,500.

6 STANLEY TERRACE was sold to Frederick Cornetta by Finnegan Raymond V. Sr. Esq. for \$339,000.

Calendar

From S-5

BASE BALL

Interested in playing Civil War baseball? Come join the Essex Base Ball Club and the Lynn Live Oaks for an open scrimmage Saturday, April 16 (rain date April 17.) 1 p.m. at Endicott Park in Danvers.

All are welcome to pick up a ball or bat and play a few innings of 1861 base ball. For more information call Brian Sheehy at 978-790-5707 or historyball@yahoo.com or www.essexbaseball.org.

RUMMAGE SALE**IN NORTH READING**

There will be a Rummage Sale, sponsored by the Faith Circle of the Union congregational Church, 148 Haverhill St., North Reading located just beyond the top of the Town Common on Friday, April 15 from 4-8 p.m. and Saturday, April 16 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Admission is free. The sale will offer used clothing for adults and children, white elephants, toys and choice household items. There will be a "brown bag" sale also. All proceeds benefit the church.

Handicap accessible. For more information call 978-664-4493.

GEOFF MULDAUR**PERFORMS APRIL 16**

The Linden Tree Coffeehouse will hold an extra special spring concert featuring Geoff Muldaur on Saturday, April 16 at the Unitarian-Universalist Church. He is one of the great voices and musical forces to emerge from the folk, blues and folk-rock scenes centered in Cambridge, Ma. and Woodstock, NY during the sixties and seventies.

During this time Geoff made a series of highly influential recordings as a founding member of the Jim Kweskin Jug Band and the Paul Butterfield's Better Days group, as well as collaborations with then wife Maria and other notables.

He left the stage and recording world in the mid 80's for a working sabbatical composing scores for film and TV, garnering an Emmy in the process, and produced off beat albums.

The Linden Tree is located in the social hall of the Unitarian-Universalist Church, 326 Main St., Wakefield. Tickets are \$12. Reservations and information call 781-246-2836, www.LindenTreeCommehouse.org.

PAINTING THE PASTEL LANDSCAPE

The Reading Art Association presents "Painting the Pastel Landscape" on Wednesday, April 13 at 7:30 p.m.

Linda Obremski uses her own photographs and field studies of landscape as a starting point for her creativity and expression in pastels. Her goal with each painting is to convey a "Semi Realism" that is traditional but not technical, by using the soft boundaries of shape and color within her subject.

TSONGAS CENTER HAS SUMMER DAY CAMP

Week-long summer day camp sessions are being offered by the Tsongas Industrial History Center, a hands on education partnership between the University of Mass. Lowell and the Lowell National Historical Park located at the Boott Cotton Mill Museum in Lowell.

Each camp runs Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Summer camp programs are designed and staffed by professional educators from U Mass. Lowell and Lowell National Historical Park with a ratio of one staff member for each 8-10 children. Snacks and t-shirts provided, children bring a brown bag lunch. The cost per child per week is \$155, sibling discount \$140.

For information call 978-970-5080.

BOSTON ENGLISH HAS 150TH REUNION

Boston English Alumni Assn. will celebrate its 150th anniversary with a gala banquet on Thursday, May 5 at Lombardo's in Randolph.

Tickets of \$50 will include a champagne reception.

Boston English is the first public high school in America (1821). Among its graduates are J.P. Morgan, General of the Armies Mathew Ridgeway, Star Trek star Leonard Nimoy and many others.

For tickets and information call James Tuberosa at 617-742-1137.

2005 BOSTON**BEER SUMMIT**

The 2005 Boston Beer Summit is April 15 and 16. Held annually at the Castle at Park Plaza, the Boston Beer summit is Boston's biggest and best beer sampling event.

Brews hail from Canada, Ireland, Scotland, England, Belgium, Germany, Italy, France and of course from all over the United States. Entering its 5th year, the Summit is Boston's longest running beer sampling event, each year featuring over 200 beers and 50 brewers from all over the world.

If you've never had a Hefeweizen, or always wondered what a Labic is, the Boston Beer Summit will introduce you to the vast and wonderful world of well crafted, quality beer, paired with great food and music.

The 2005 Boston Beer Summit will feature 3 sessions Friday April 15 from 5-10 p.m. and two on Saturday April 17 from 1-5 and 6-10 p.m. Last call will be 15 minutes before the session ends.

Tickets are on sale now on the beer summit.com site, and will be available at local bars, restaurants, brew-pubs and home brew shops. Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door. For all the attending breweries and sessions visit www.beer-summit.com. All attendants must be 21 with proper I.D.

NO. READING CHURCH HAS AN AUCTION

The North Reading Union Congregational Church, located at 148 Haverhill St. is having a Mortgage Reduction Auction on Saturday, April 9th.

Please join in for a Silent & Live Auction to bid on auction items such as: local artist paintings, gift certificates, baseball camp, jewelry, golf, gourmet dinner and a pair of Red Sox tickets.

Silent Auction and spaghetti dinner starting at 5:30 pm. Live auction begins at 7 pm. Babysitting will be provided.

Admission is \$5/person and tickets are available at the church by calling 978-664-3703 or at the door. To preview auction items, visit www.nrucc.net

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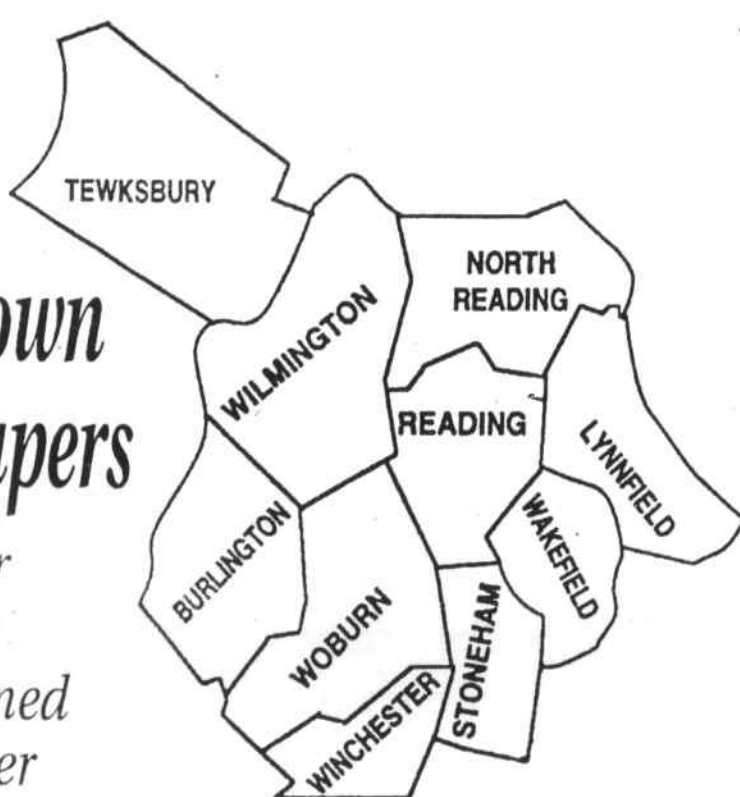
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For more information visit: www.colonialchorus.com

WINE AND FOOD TASTING APRIL 15

The 4th annual Wine and food Tasting in North Reading will be held on Friday, April 15 at the Hillview Country Club, 149 North Street, North Reading. The time is from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. and the cost is \$40 per person (includes wine and food.)

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Hours: 8:30 to 5:00 p.m. (37.5 hours per week), Monday through Friday. Salary \$13.87/hour.

By April 22, 2005 send a resume or application to:

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Please email or fax resume to
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Clerical Position

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Interested candidates should respond by email only to
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